

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO

STATE OF OHIO,

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Plaintiff,

: Case No. 01-CR-794

-vs-

:

NATHANIEL JACKSON,

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Defendant.

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VOLUME II, EXHIBITS TO NATHANIEL JACKSON'S
AMENDED POST-CONVICTION PETITION

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PSYCHOLOGICAL REPORT

SUBJECT: Nathaniel Jackson

DATE: 11/12/02

REASON FOR REFERRAL:

Mr. Jackson was evaluated as part of developing information relevant to the mitigation phase of his capital murder trial.

PROCEDURE:

Interviews of Mr. Jackson by S. McPherson and D. McPherson; psychological assessment administered by D. McPherson, M.Ed., assisting psychologist: Thematic Apperception Test, WAIS-3, MMPI-2, WRAT-3, and Bender Gestalt. Rorschach administered by S. McPherson. Review of records from discovery and from other sources. Contact with family members.

RESULTS

Defendant's Retrospective on His Own History:

He was asked to discuss his life in stages. When asked about his first five years, he said that his maternal grandmother was very important to him, as was his mother. He had an older brother, Charles, and a younger sister and brother, Taushia and Anthony, respectively. He did not have very much contact with his biological father (Charles Paige), remembering perhaps two times when he saw the man. He lived with his mother, and he frequently spent time with his maternal grandmother. (Other records indicated the two younger children were the product of his mother's marriage to Anthony Kornegeay.)

With respect to his elementary school years, he said that he tried to do his best and in many ways he really liked school, but he also got into a lot of difficulty and tended to have problems with other students at times. He knew that he had been identified as having a behavior problem, and he stated that when he was placed in the Stambaugh School Special Program he did best. Interestingly, he remembered being taken-out of that program after he had apparently done somewhat well and put back into the mainstream curriculum with the result that he immediately got into trouble again and was put back in

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Stambaugh's Special Program where, at least per his recollection, he did better once again. He left school at the age of 17 while he was still in the 11th grade.

From that time onward, his life involved basically living on the street in what was a crime-ridden and violent environment. He did have some regular jobs from time to time, but none of them were high paying. His drug use (see below) was also a part of his problem. He began getting into trouble almost immediately upon moving out from his mother's house.

He had a series of relationships, and he began getting into more and more trouble of a legal type (see below). Throughout the ensuing years, he had several relationships, one with the mother of his daughter, now age seven. That individual is now married, but he has tried to have some contacts with his daughter. He also has a son who would now be four years of age. He has had no contact with that child whose life has been a somewhat tragic story in and of itself. The child was born to Mr. Jackson and his then significant other. Shortly after birth, the child had a stroke and went into some seizures and was life-flighted to Rainbow Babies' & Children's Hospital. Over an ensuing period of time, the youngster was stabilized and diagnosed upon exit as having cerebral palsy. To the best of his knowledge, the child continues to be wheelchair bound or in a brace with limited ability. Subsequently, the relationship broke up, and the mother of the child placed the youngster with her mother, essentially abandoning him. When Mr. Jackson tried to visit his son, the maternal grandmother obtained a Restraining Order, and he has never been allowed to see him since.

Mr. Jackson indicated he grew up in an extremely violent neighborhood. (Consistently, there is the letter in the school records from his mother indicating that he should be given an excused absence because a man and a woman had been shooting at him.) After he left his mother's home, he was still primarily living on the street and in a neighborhood of significantly antisocial and violent people. He himself was shot four or five times. He indicated that for the most part, he had not obtained any hospital or medical attention for these events; in fact, he said he carried a bullet in his torso somewhere which causes him periodic difficulty. He sometimes more or less freezes and is unable to move until the spasm passes. He has been shot in the left arm, elbow, and head, all of these wounds involving grazing injuries. In addition, he indicated that he had a significant relationship with a woman and, in fact, was considering a permanent union when she was killed. She was apparently involved in some type of merchandising occupation and was killed by someone who wished not to pay for the merchandise obtained from her. Mr. Jackson also recounted that there was an occasion in which he left some clothes at the home of a person whom he viewed as a friend and with whom he had stayed briefly. When he returned to get his clothing, that individual confronted him with a gun and was not willing to give Mr. Jackson his clothes. He noted that he had a particularly nice set of outfits at the time. He felt the man's turning on him was a major wrong because he had trusted him and viewed him as a friend.

The relationship that he had with Donna was one where he thought he would avoid the problems he had had with some of the younger women with whom he engaged. He acknowledged that Donna was significantly older than he. He said that he thought perhaps it would work out better because she would be more stable and more able to provide responsibly for him. He said that she indicated to him that she was divorced in 1985 and that her ex-husband, though he now lived with her, was not romantically involved with her.

Test Results:

Results from the WAIS-3 were as follows:

Vocabulary	5	Picture Completion	8
Similarities	5	Digit Symbol-Coding	6
Arithmetic	5	Block Design	7
Digit Span	12	Matrix Reasoning	13
Information	5	Picture Arrangement	10
Comprehension	5		
Verbal IQ	82	Performance IQ	89
Full Scale IQ - 84			

Above results showed significant variation among the subtests but overall performance, given test bias factors and educational deficit, reflected low average or better capacity. Deficit areas would be consistent with longstanding learning problems.

Results from the Bender-Gestalt showed no significant deficits of performance. There were some distortions and inadequacies that appear to be reflective of some lack of investment in performance.

Results from the Wide Range Achievement Test - 3 were as follows:

	Raw Score	Std. Score	%tile	Grade Score	Absolute Score
Reading	36	75	5	5	503
Spelling	43	103	58	HS	524
Arithmetic	46	111	77	HS	532

Above results reflected significant relative deficit in reading skills.

Results from the MMPI-2 indicated a need to present well and to overstate virtues. At the same time, there was a tendency toward some endorsement of symptoms that suggested an over-presentation of pathology. The overall handling of the test was inconsistent at times and interpretation, therefore, has to be somewhat guarded. What can be stated, however, is that there was neither a consistent attempt to look bad nor a consistent attempt to overstate positives. The main scale profile did not show overstatement of pathology. There was a spike 4 configuration that reflects endorsement of antisocial attitudes and/or impulsive behaviors. He showed concerns and anxiety about his current situation and the likely outcome. There were also some problems when it came to storing of angry feeling and he appeared to be an individual who can lose control because he has been storing and suppressing a lot of negative feeling without being aware of the degree to which he does so. Sub-scales reflected his sense that he is being pursued and persecuted, which is not inconsistent with his current reality situation and also that he feels a sense of alienation from his own functioning. He attempts to put on a facade of being in control and not caring what is happening but, in fact, there is an underlying significant apprehension. At the same time, he can affect a kind of cynicism which may mislead others to believe that he is in control of himself and the situation. Critical items include acknowledging misuse of alcohol and use of marijuana as well as endorsing that he has made mistakes in his life. There is some tendency toward blaming of others but it is not a pronounced assertion.

Projective tests provided some; insight into underlying personality characteristics and potentials. Analysis of thematic materials on the TAT indicated an individual who does not know how to go about managing life but who has incorporated that he should know better than he does. He has no real concept of how to proceed and there is no one available to provide him with guidance. Life tends to hand down punishment for bad behavior and he has learned to accept what happens but not to evaluate and plan to avoid negative consequences. He does not see much potential in the workplace, which is consistent with the reality of his environment. He cannot figure out how people fit into situations or what they are thinking. In effect, he is a poor reader of people even though he thinks he knows about them.

Results from the Rorschach, evaluated using the Exner protocol, indicated a valid and reliable record for interpretation. There were no indications of any serious mental health pathology, but rather he appears to be an individual who lacks the capacity to cope adequately with his environment. He tries to keep emotions at bay but doesn't have the wherewithal to do so and still adequately manage other and often pressing demands. He is rather constricted and limited in how he responds to others. The avoidance of processing emotional stimulation is extreme and suggests a defense in order to avoid feeling the painful affect that comes about when he lets himself be vulnerable to contacts by others. This feature is consistent with the history of behavioral deficit and lack of environmental support and effective intervention. There are underlying negative to self attitudes which he also tries to avoid directly experiencing. At the same time, there is self focus, a pattern associated with insecurity and neediness. He is significantly limited when it comes to dealing relationally as might be expected, and again his history has

involved difficulties that he has sought to remediate but has not the least idea as to how to handle. He tends to be guarded in how he approaches situations but the defensive stance means that he is not aware of all the aspects of the world that he needs to be in order to manage. He makes decisions on inadequate information and thus adds impulsivity of thinking to the existing disinhibitions that are part of the hyperactivity complex.

Legal History

His initial problems with the legal system occurred in his mid-teens when he did about six months in detention home. He had been charged in connection with driving violations and unruly behavior. He apparently was absenting himself from school. After he became an adult he worked at various jobs but did not have any regular or ongoing employment of any substance. He was incarcerated four times at Lorain Correctional as follows: 1/92 for aggravated burglary; 2/96 for having a weapon under disability (as a convicted felon he is not allowed to have a gun); 2/01 for charges in connection with a stole vehicle and stolen license plates. He apparently was briefly released but did not follow up appropriately while on parole and was returned to the facility and then released on 12/12, after which the crime took place. He was also arrested in connection with receiving stolen property, unauthorized use of a vehicle, and driving under suspension. According to the defendant and his counsel, during his time in prison he did not present as an adjustment problem.

School Records:

He did not complete the 11th grade and there was inconsistent attendance and involvement before he finally dropped out. He attended a number of different schools. School records indicated the following.

Behavioral problems were noted as of the 1st grade, or immediately upon his entry into a formal academic setting. Those behavior problems continued throughout the time that he was in school up through the 11th grade level, which was the point at which he left. By the 3rd grade, he had been suspended. He was finally assessed at the 4th grade level and found to have significant problems and to be in need of special educational assistance. At that time, His Wechsler Intelligence Scale results were: Verbal IQ, 72; Performance, IQ, 78; and, Full Scale IQ, 73. Interestingly, while he had below grade level achievement, he was not deficient at the level that the above score, particularly the Verbal one, might have suggested, particularly given that he was coming out of an environment that was not conducive to correcting or assisting him with his problems. However, consistent with the 4th grade results, in 1989 at the 10th grade level, he was tested with the Stanford-Binet and obtained an IQ of 70.

Other information from the school records indicated a pattern of absenteeism which tended to increase over the course of the year, a high potential for getting involved in altercations with peers, behavior problems on the bus and it was also noted as of the 9th grade that he was at high risk for chemical dependency.

Axis IV – Problems with primary support group, Problems related to social environment, Educational problems, Legal Problems.

Axis V – GAF = 40; major impairment in several areas of function

Summary:

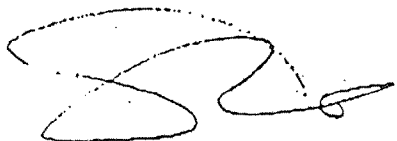
Mr. Jackson is an individual who was raised in an environment that was significantly violent and dyscontrolled that persons surviving in the situation would have been more likely than not to develop a sense of chronic threat and insecurity. Consistently, his own story is one where he has had to defend himself and where fights have not been infrequent, with fairly serious consequences to those participating. Early educational difficulties and current test results are consistent with the presence of an AD/HD component. The history of significant drug abuse starting at the age of 13 and probable dependency on marijuana is also a pattern that is well known for AD/HD persons. There is vulnerability to use, abuse and dependency on drugs to alleviate the chronic tensions and to escape the punishment that comes from the environment as a result of behavioral dyscontrol. Consistently, he chose not to abuse drugs such as methamphetamines or PCP. His use also reflected an occupational component in that he was living in a drug infested environment and, at least sometimes, involved in the lifestyle of using and selling. Given his educational limitations and social situation, obtaining employment with reasonable compensation in the depressed area in which he lived was unlikely.

His mother was on her own much of the time. Although he loves her and his grandmother, they were unable to intervene effectively with his special behavioral and learning needs. As time went on, the family system fragmented further. At the present time, his mother indicates she does not know the status of his sister and cannot be sure how to reach her. Similarly, she was unsure of the current situation of either of his brothers. She stated she works at a physically demanding job and has little energy except to go home and rest so as to be able to work the next day.

He had no male figure immediately available to him to provide him with alternative guidance from what was occurring as a function of his finding his own way in a hostile situation. There was thus no real functioning family system for him as he tried to deal with his needs for support. He does have the capacity to relate to other human beings, and it has been indicated in the records obtained that he has some artistic potentials.

His vulnerability to influence within the context of the relationship to Donna was high: she was older, apparently stable to his view, held out a promise of a more financially secure existence, and catered to his need to be seen as adequate.

He has been able to maintain himself in a stable fashion when he was prior incarcerated and, therefore, it can be reasonably inferred that he can be a productive member of the general population.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sandra B. McPherson', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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1 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

2 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

3 WESTERN DIVISION

4 DAYTON

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7 LAWRENCE LANDRUM, :

8 Plaintiff, :

9 Vs. : Case No. C-196-641

10 BETTY MITCHELL, : Thursday, 9:00 a.m.

11 Defendant. : September 4, 2003

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13 EVIDENTIARY HEARING BEFORE

14 JUDGE MICHAEL R. MERZ

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16 APPEARANCES:

17 FOR THE PLAINTIFF:

18 Gerald W. Simmons, Esq.

19 Randall L. Porter, Esq.

20 FOR THE DEFENDANT:

21 Jonathan R. Fulkerson, Esq.

22 Michael L. Collyer, Esq.

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24 COURT REPORTER:

25 Shandy Ehde, RPR

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1 person who did this terrible, terrible thing, you
2 know.

3 Q. You indicated that at the time you did your work
4 before the post-conviction process, that some of the
5 records that you might have wanted to see had been
6 destroyed or were missing. And I note that you were
7 initially involved in the case in '91, you were asked
8 to do the social history in '93, you completed the
9 social history in '96. Do you have any idea why there
10 was such a long delay between trial and
11 post-conviction?

12 A. No. I mean every state is different in terms of
13 how it moves cases.

14 THE COURT: You may step down.

15 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

16 (Witness was excused.)

17 THE COURT: Mr. Simmons, you may call your
18 next witness.

19 MR. SIMMONS: Yes, your Honor. Dr. Smith.

20 ROBERT L. SMITH, Ph.D

21 witness herein, being first duly sworn, testified as
22 follows:

23 DIRECT EXAMINATION

24 MR. SIMMONS: I think counsel has -- she's
25 going to stay a while to hear the doctor's testimony.

1 THE COURT: Once she's testified, she has a
2 right to be here.

3 BY MR. SIMMONS:

4 Q. Would you please tell the Court your name and
5 address?

6 A. Robert Lee Smith, Ph.D. My address is 31470 St.
7 Andrews Street, West Lake, Ohio.

8 Q. Would you please tell the Court what your
9 practice entails?

10 A. Yes. I'm a clinical psychologist and a certified
11 addiction specialist.

12 Q. What is the nature of the certification? Where
13 does that come from?

14 A. The license in psychology is from the State of
15 Ohio. Basically it comes as a result from having my
16 doctorate from an APA approved from an academic
17 program, and then I did an internship and
18 post-doctorate internship in psychology and addiction.
19 The certification addiction specialist is a national
20 certification and is awarded once you're able to
21 demonstrate appropriate educational and clinical
22 experience.

23 Q. Have you had occasion to testify as an expert
24 witness previously?

25 A. Yes, I have.

1 Q. Could you please tell the Court in general terms
2 the quantity and nature of the testimony in which
3 you've engaged?

4 A. I've probably testified in about 25 to 30 cases
5 nationwide. Most of those have been either death
6 penalty cases or appeals, but I've also worked in some
7 civil litigation as well.

8 Q. And what is the nature of the testimony that you
9 have generally given?

10 A. Generally what I've been asked to do is to
11 conduct an evaluation of the defendant and determine
12 whether or not there are any valid psychological
13 diagnoses or disorders that could be presented to the
14 court for mitigation.

15 Q. Could you please look at Exhibit 7?

16 A. (Witness complied.)

17 Q. What is Exhibit 7, please?

18 A. It's my curriculum vitae.

19 Q. Is it accurate and complete?

20 A. As far as I can tell it looks accurate, yes.

21 Q. Okay. Now there's a reference here to Behavior
22 Management Associates, Inc, What is that?

23 A. It's a private practice group in which I'm one of
24 the associates. I basically rent space from them and
25 conduct a private practice in a suburb of Cleveland

1 with Behavior Management Associates.

2 Q. What is the nature of your private practice?

3 A. It's a clinical practice. I work with adults and
4 adolescents. Basically a full range of psychological
5 disorders as well as addictive disorders.

6 Q. What types of people do you deal with in your
7 practice?

8 A. In my private practice, generally they will be
9 men and women who have marital problems, occasionally
10 will be individuals with depression and anxiety
11 disorders. Most of the clients that have addictive
12 disorders come because they are having difficulties
13 maintaining abstinence. Most of them have a history
14 of physical or sexual abuse that has not been
15 adequately addressed so that interferes with their
16 recovery.

17 Q. Do you do any clinical work in addition to your
18 private practice?

19 A. Yes, I do.

20 Q. And tell the Court, please, what that involves.

21 A. I work as a director of operations for an
22 organization called Stella Maris. Stella Maris is an
23 alcohol and drug treatment facility in Cleveland.
24 They have a 16-bed detoxification unit in a 42-bed
25 therapeutic community. I began working with that

1 organization about four years ago.

2 Currently I'm a project director on a
3 national federal grant. The goal of the grant is to
4 conduct a research project. We're examining the
5 treatment of homeless, chemically dependent and
6 mentally ill male offenders. These men are referred
7 through the court system in Cleveland. They're all
8 homeless. They have a long-standing history of
9 addiction, and about 60 percent of them have a
10 co-curring mental illness. The treatment model that
11 we have put together is, as a demonstration project,
12 we're about a year and a half through the project.
13 Our goal is to gather information about the
14 effectiveness of the treatment and to hopefully come
15 up with ideas and approaches that are more effective.

16 Q. Have you applied for, and have you received, any
17 government grants in this area?

18 A. I have the current grant, and I also had a grant
19 in 1993 with the Federal Government. Again the goal
20 was to look at the treatment of homeless, chemically
21 dependent women. The women who came into treatment
22 were either pregnant or who had custody of one or two
23 children. We developed a treatment design that
24 allowed the women to come into treatment and bring
25 their children with them. Again about 40 percent of

1 the women had a co-occurring mental illness, and
2 approximately 80 percent of them had a history of
3 being physically and sexually abused.

4 Q. Have you done any work with the hospitals in the
5 Cleveland area?

6 A. Yes, I have.

7 Q. And would you please tell the Court what that has
8 involved?

9 A. Currently there's two primary hospitals that I
10 have ongoing work with. I work with University
11 Hospitals of Cleveland. I conduct a residency
12 assistance program. If an intern or a medical
13 resident has some type of personal problem,
14 depression, anxiety, perhaps abuse of alcohol or
15 drugs, marital difficulties, the university -- I mean
16 the hospital will contact me. I'll do an assessment
17 of the intern or resident, and then either do
18 short-term therapy or link them to appropriate
19 services.

20 I also work with Metro Health Medical Center,
21 which used to be Cleveland Metropolitan General
22 Hospital. I helped develop the employee assistance
23 program when I worked there many years ago, and so
24 what has happened is they have continued to keep me as
25 a consultant even though I'm in private practice. So

1 I work with them on a weekly basis, looking at more
2 difficult cases and helping the counselors sort of
3 manage those cases.

4 Q. Have you done any lecturing in this field?

5 A. Yes, I have.

6 Q. And could you again tell the Court, please, what
7 you have done in that regard?

8 A. The bulk of the research -- I mean the lecturing
9 has been related to my research and clinical
10 experience, and it's at Case Western Reserve
11 University. I currently have an academic appointment
12 with the department of psychology, and last year
13 taught a course on mental illness and substance abuse,
14 but I also have taught for the medical school and for
15 the law school at Case.

16 Q. Have you done any continuing legal education for
17 attorneys?

18 A. Yes, I have.

19 Q. And would you tell the Court, have you written
20 any articles of any significance in this area that you
21 think are pertinent to your experience?

22 A. I have several articles that we've published.
23 Most of them have focused on identification and
24 diagnosis of addiction, but we also have taken a look
25 at the treatment of minorities and special

1 populations, and that's really where my research area
2 is now.

3 Q. I take it that you have had an opportunity to
4 review the work of Miss Miller, that is, the
5 post-conviction work, the affidavit and the report
6 that she did?

7 A. Yes, I did.

8 Q. And I take it you've also had a chance to review
9 the court records of Mr. Landrum's trial, initial
10 trial?

11 A. That's correct.

12 Q. Would you please look at Exhibit 4 and -- I'm
13 sorry. John?

14 MR. FULKERSON: Before we proceed into the
15 specifics on Mr. Landrum's case, I would like to
16 clarify a few points on the witness' qualifications if
17 this is the proper time to do that.

18 THE COURT: The voir dire may be allowed.

19 MR. FULKERSON: Thank you.

20 VOIR DIRE EXAMINATION

21 BY MR. FULKERSON:

22 Q. May it please the Court, counsel.

23 Dr. Smith, I'm Jonathan Fulkerson. We met
24 briefly before we started. I want to ask you a couple
25 questions about some of your qualifications before we

1 proceed this morning.

2 Do you have a board certification in psychology?

3 A. No, I do not.

4 Q. Are you a member of the, or do you know what the
5 ABPP is; American Board of Professional Psychology?

6 A. Yes, I am aware of that.

7 Q. Are you a member of that organization?

8 A. No, I am not.

9 Q. You said on your initial testimony that you have
10 a national certification as an addiction specialist?

11 A. That's correct.

12 Q. Where is that from?

13 A. I'm sorry, where is --

14 Q. Who gave you that certification; what
15 organization?

16 A. The American Academy of Healthcare Providers and
17 Addictive Disorders.

18 Q. Okay. And when did you obtain that
19 certification? What year, do you remember?

20 A. No, I don't know offhand.

21 Q. Was it before 1996?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Okay. That organization's certification, you
24 didn't have to take an exam to get that certification,
25 did you?

1 A. No, I did not.

2 Q. And you were allowed to join without taking a
3 national examination in order to get that
4 certification; correct?

5 A. That's correct.

6 Q. Okay. You said that you do a lot of work as an
7 associate with Behavior Management Associates?

8 A. I have a small private practice with them.

9 Q. Small practice. You do a lot of work with adults
10 and adolescents that have addictive disorders; is that
11 what you said? Am I correct?

12 A. Again based on Behavior Management Associates.

13 Q. I'm sorry, just talking about behavior
14 management.

15 A. That's correct.

16 Q. You don't really deal with criminal assessments
17 with Behavior Management Associates, do you?

18 A. Occasionally I will have a forensic evaluation
19 through the organization, but that's a small part of
20 my caseload there.

21 Q. But essentially Behavior Management Associates is
22 kind of an employee assistance program; isn't that
23 correct?

24 A. No, that's not correct.

25 Q. I want to have you refer to volume I of the

1 binder that I have provided to the Court and you, and
2 I'd like to have you look at page 1 of that. And for
3 your reference and the Court's, I've caused the bottom
4 right corner of all these pages to be Bates stamped
5 for convenience.

6 If I can ask you just to look at page 1, can you
7 identify what that page and the preceding few pages
8 are behind that?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. What is that?

11 A. That's the employee assistance program that is
12 the subset of what Behavior Management Associates
13 does.

14 Q. And doesn't that say there that, "Behavior
15 Management Associates provides complete program that
16 addresses employee problems that include comprehensive
17 work/life services and can be enhanced with ancillary
18 service"?

19 A. That's correct.

20 Q. But it's not an employee service program?

21 A. You misunderstood my response. I said Behavior
22 Management Associates is not an employee assistance
23 program. This employee assistance program is called
24 Impact, that's the employee assistance program. I
25 have nothing to do with it.

1 Q. Thank you. Your CV also says you are a member of
2 the College of Examiners?

3 A. That's correct.

4 Q. Are you a life member or yearly member of that
5 organization?

6 A. I'm not sure of the distinction.

7 Q. Well, doesn't that organization -- there are two
8 ways you can join. You can either join every year and
9 pay every year or you can pay a larger fee and be a
10 member for life?

11 A. I'm an annual member.

12 Q. You are an annual member?

13 A. That's correct.

14 Q. Isn't it true to become a member of the
15 organization you essentially self-certify yourself and
16 agree to abide by their code of ethics to become a
17 member?

18 A. That is part of it, correct.

19 Q. Is there an additional part of that that is
20 required?

21 A. Yes. They now have testing. They also have
22 continuing education requirements --

23 Q. Could you explain?

24 A. -- that are part of becoming certified.

25 Q. Okay.

1 MR. FULKERSON: That's all I have about
2 his qualifications your Honor. Thank you.

3 THE COURT: You may resume your
4 examination, Mr. Simmons.

5 FURTHER DIRECT EXAMINATION

6 BY MR. SIMMONS:

7 Q. Thank you, your Honor.

8 Dr. Smith, I'd like to ask you to please look at
9 Exhibit 4 in the exhibit book.

10 A. (Witness complied.)

11 MR. SIMMONS: Just to keep things
12 confusing, your Honor, it actually has an Exhibit 5
13 in the lower right-hand corner.

14 THE COURT: I'm going to mark that out on
15 my copy.

16 THE CLERK: I'm restickering.

17 THE COURT: Thank you.

18 Q. Dr. Smith, have you, based upon your review of
19 the records in the initial trial and your review of
20 Miss Miller's work, and the other investigation you've
21 done, formed some opinions about Mr. Landrum's
22 psychological state at the time of the murder and also
23 at the time of his trial?

24 A. That's correct.

25 Q. Could you please in a general way state to the

1 Court what you have, what these opinions are, and then
2 we'll get into some specifics.

3 A. Sure. Basically I believe that at the time of
4 the offense Mr. Landrum was dependent upon several
5 chemicals. Alcohol, sedatives and cannabis, or
6 marihuana. I also believe at the time of the offense
7 that he was under the influence of alcohol and
8 sedatives, that he was suffering from a psychological
9 disorder that had been long standing from adolescence.

10 This depressive disorder is called dysthymia or
11 disthymic disorder, and he as a child suffered a
12 number of significant traumas and abuse that led to
13 his development of depression and later his addiction
14 to alcohol and other drugs.

15 THE COURT: Before we proceed, would you be
16 gracious enough to spell dysthymia for the record?

17 THE WITNESS: D-y-s-t-h-y-m-i-a.

18 THE COURT: Thank you.

19 Q. And did this disorder that you have described
20 have an impact on his cognitive abilities during this
21 period of time?

22 A. Absolutely.

23 Q. And what was that?

24 A. In order to understand Mr. Landrum's function,
25 you would have to take a look at all the disorders in

1 combination.

2 Disthymic disorder in and of itself has a number
3 of influences upon both how a person feels, how they
4 think and how they act. When a person has this type
5 of chronic depression they often feel hopeless,
6 helpless. There's a sense of agitation in their
7 ability, low self-esteem, feeling they can't be
8 successful, they can't do anything right. There's an
9 underlying despair which leads to them to engaging in
10 self-defeating behaviors.

11 Oftentimes they will attempt to do things, but
12 because they believe they'll fail, they do. And so
13 people with dysthymia have failed relationships,
14 oftentimes are unable to maintain employment, and will
15 turn to alcohol and drugs as a way of coping with this
16 ongoing depression.

17 The use of alcohol and drugs of course changes
18 the way the brain works. Alcohol is a central nervous
19 system depressant. It slows down the brain, it
20 results in impulsist mood swings, agitation,
21 irritability, sometimes aggressive behavior. Mixing
22 that with another drug, which Mr. Landrum did
23 frequently, such as Ativan which is a sedative, in
24 fact Ativan directly enhances the effects of alcohol
25 so that it's not just an additive factor but

1 multi-flexitive factor, so that an individual taking
2 alcohol and Ativan together will be significantly
3 impaired in terms of their ability to focus,
4 concentrate, interpret events that are going on around
5 them.

6 Their motor movements may be, but it depends.
7 People using with high tolerances, abusing substances
8 for a long time, their body develops an ability to
9 adapt to the effects of the chemicals, so they may be
10 able to walk a straight line, they may be able to
11 speak without slurring their words too badly. But in
12 fact what's happening is their cognitive functioning
13 is significantly impaired, just it's masked by their
14 ability to walk and talk.

15 Putting the depression together with the effects
16 of alcohol and the sedative, the individual's ability
17 to comprehend a situation, concentrate, focus,
18 consider their options, weigh the pros and cons,
19 consider the consequences of their actions would all
20 be significantly impaired.

21 Q. Was there any effort in the mitigation phase of
22 this case to explain, for example, the relationships
23 that you've just discussed between various drugs and
24 alcohol?

25 A. I did not see any attempt to make that connection

1 explanation.

2 Q. Was there any discussion of any relationship
3 between Mr. Landrum's depression or this disorder that
4 you've described and his use of these substances?

5 A. Not that I'm aware of.

6 Q. In working with -- in coming to your conclusions,
7 could you tell the Court what events or what history
8 of Mr. Landrum, what events in his life to you were
9 significant in coming to your opinions, and in
10 particular if, while you're doing it, you could
11 mention which of those, if any, were not dealt with in
12 the original trial?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Just sort of go through his life, the
15 significance of the various events and explain whether
16 they were or were not dealt with in your view properly
17 or at all at the original trial.

18 A. Okay. As a beginning statement, I think I would
19 say that most of what I'm going to say I do not feel
20 was adequately developed and discussed in the original
21 trial.

22 What I'm looking at when I look at Mr. Landrum's
23 background is a developmental history. I'm looking at
24 how do these events impact the development of the
25 child, how does that child cope with those events,

1 what is their response, what choices do they have
2 available to them, what disorders may they develop,
3 how do those developed disorders then affect ongoing
4 sort of maturation and life choices, and then how,
5 ultimately, did all of those things impact
6 Mr. Landrum's behavior at the time of the offense.

7 I don't believe that the initial trial did
8 much of that at all. I can kind of walk through these.

9 First things to become important are the
10 absence of a father. For the first four years
11 Mr. Landrum has no father figure that's present. His
12 mother is somewhat present, but because of her
13 schooling and work and because of the home
14 environment, her involvement with Mr. Landrum was also
15 limited.

16 THE COURT: What about the maternal
17 grandfather?

18 THE WITNESS: We do have a maternal
19 grandfather. Now he becomes very significant because
20 he uses alcohol, and it's not every day but it is
21 regular and it's excessive, and when he drinks to
22 excess, he's abusive. Now that becomes important
23 because Larry's going to be forming some opinions
24 about the use of alcohol and what is appropriate
25 behavior when you drink. His grandfather uses

1 regularly, becomes out of control, becomes violent.
2 That becomes a socially acceptable behavior in some
3 ways.

4 A. Then we have maternal aunts and uncles who also
5 abuse alcohol and drugs. Now there's a couple ways to
6 look at it, and I'm going to kind of talk about the
7 development for Larry in several areas. If we want to
8 look at his development of addiction, there are three
9 things that put a child at risk for addiction.
10 Genetic factors, environmental factors and
11 psychological factors.

12 In Larry's family, we have genetic factors,
13 we have a maternal grandfather who abuses alcohol and
14 drugs, and we have maternal aunts and uncles, so we
15 know there's a family history of substance abuse.

16 THE COURT: We don't know. Of course we
17 know there's a family history. We don't have any
18 determined, clinically determined patterns of tracing
19 that genetic occurrence, do we have, in the matter of
20 available science?

21 THE WITNESS: What the literature has shown
22 us, if you have immediate family members, defined as
23 parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, if you have a
24 significant history of substance abuse, the children
25 are predisposed. It's not a direct genetic

1 inheritance but a predisposition, sort of like with
2 cancer, so that children who come from a family
3 history where there's cancer, we know that they're at
4 risk. That's what we really know about the children.

5 The literature is suggesting that it's five
6 times greater risk than for children who do not have a
7 significant family history. But that's only one of
8 the factors.

9 A. The second factor becomes environment. Children
10 who grow up in a home where alcohol and drugs are
11 readily available and where the parental figures or
12 adult figures use alcohol and drugs are more likely to
13 experiment and use drugs than their peers. What we
14 have is, we have a grandfather, we have the aunts and
15 uncles, later we have the stepfather, all who use
16 alcohol and/or drugs on a regular basis, and that's
17 part of family life. So that is another factor that
18 contributes to it being okay to Larry to begin
19 experimenting with alcohol and drugs.

20 The final factor is that we know that children
21 who suffer physical abuse or sexual abuse are much
22 more likely to begin using alcohol and drugs as
23 adolescents. When we look at Larry's background, we
24 have sexual abuse at the age of five. We have
25 physical abuse by the stepfather over a number of

1 years. And we have numerous losses, the death of his
2 grandmother, that he now is trying to cope with.

3 As a result, what we have is all three factors
4 contributing to Larry's use of alcohol and drugs. It
5 wasn't just one factor, but all three.

6 The other thing you begin to look at is, well,
7 what makes something traumatic for a child? Why
8 should these events have an impact on Larry? We've
9 got dad out of the picture, we've got mom who is
10 preoccupied, and then we've got the death of
11 grandmother. We've got physical and sexual abuse.
12 We've got the stepfather. Why should all those be
13 significant?

14 Well, what we know from the research now is there
15 are a number of things you can look at. One is to
16 what extent is the event something that normally
17 occurs in childhood. If it's a normal event, the
18 child should be able to talk to friends, family and
19 others, and work it through. It's not something
20 that's strange or odd or something they should be
21 embarrassed or ashamed about. The problem is that a
22 number of things that happened in Larry's background
23 were not normal events. Being sexually abused at the
24 age of four and five is not a normal event for a
25 child.

1 THE COURT: How abnormal is it,
2 ideologically speaking, do you know?

3 THE WITNESS: In terms of percentages we're
4 probably looking at less than three percent of the
5 population overall experiences sexual abuse at the age
6 of four or five. We do know that for females,
7 adolescence is a more likely period for sexual abuse
8 to occur.

9 A. The other thing that becomes significant is the
10 age and the mental status of the victim when the
11 trauma occurs. The less capable they are to process
12 what happened to them, to talk about it, verbalize it
13 and work it through, the more they're going to be
14 traumatized by the event. So the age becomes
15 significant, the level of maturity, the intellectual
16 functioning are all factors.

17 Many of these events that occurred in Larry's
18 life, he was very young, did not have the mental
19 capability and the maturity to be able to work it
20 through.

21 The next thing becomes how many traumas you have
22 occur in your life. A single trauma can leave a
23 lasting scar throughout a person's life, but multiple
24 trauma becomes significant, because trauma basically
25 tells me the world is a dangerous place and I have to

1 be very cautious, in fact maybe I need to even be
2 aggressive to keep myself safe. If I have repeated
3 trauma, that just keeps reinforcing to me that the
4 world is dangerous and that life is filled with all
5 sorts of hurt and pain and loss.

6 The last thing has to do with the recovery
7 environment when a child has gone through repeated
8 trauma. How supportive, how nurturing, how aware of
9 the trauma are the family members, the parents with
10 the child? Do they talk about it, do they work it
11 through, do they get the child counseling and
12 assistance for those disorders?

13 When we look at Larry's childhood there just
14 wasn't the type of recovery environment to help him
15 work through the traumas that he went through which
16 again then contributes to his turning to alcohol and
17 drugs as a way to sort of medicate himself and deal
18 with his emotional pain.

19 Q. You have discussed the family situation as a
20 young child, and I just wanted to be sure that you
21 had, you feel you fully explored that. Have you
22 discussed the situation in Sault Ste. Marie until he
23 moved to the fullest you think appropriate?

24 A. Well, I think the other part that I would want to
25 add is dysthymia is a chronic underlying depression

1 that oftentimes begins in the early adolescence and
2 can persistent for many years. It is somewhat
3 biologically based, but what we have been able to
4 discover is that ongoing trauma tends to be one of the
5 contributing factors to a person developing this kind
6 of depression. That sense of helplessness and
7 hopelessness, the inability to correct my situation,
8 make my life better, that I continually seem to fail,
9 no matter what I do I can't seem to make my life right
10 becomes an underlying theme, and so that then builds
11 into a depressive state that persists into adulthood.

12 Q. Is there any significance to your view in the
13 remarriage of Mr. Landrum's mother and the move to
14 Chillicothe in this analysis?

15 THE COURT: I think technically we're not
16 talking about a remarriage. I think we're talking
17 about a first marriage.

18 MR. SIMMONS: I think we are. Excuse me.
19 Marriage.

20 A. The marriage becomes significant in several ways.
21 First, mother moves and lives with in-laws, which
22 allows Larry to be alone without his mother for about
23 a month, which when you're looking at the age that
24 he's at, is pretty traumatic. Even though the mother
25 was not necessarily the best mother and always

1 present, she was there. Now she's completely absent.

2 Then after about a four- to six-week period, the
3 mother removes Larry from his family completely, moves
4 to another city, and now he's not able to see his
5 grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins. He's completely
6 removed from them. And then lastly he's now adapting
7 to this parental figure who is rather stern, has bouts
8 of rage and abuses alcohol, and then at a later point
9 discovers that this in fact is not his father but is
10 his stepfather.

11 So there were a number of events that occurred in
12 that transition that contributed to Larry's feelings
13 again of loss, depression and attitudes about the use
14 of alcohol.

15 Q. Is there any significance to Larry's experiences
16 in his teenage years at either Upham Hall, the
17 Fairfield School or elsewhere that you think fit into
18 this analysis?

19 A. Yes. I think the records, particularly at Upham
20 Hall, provided significant data regarding Larry's
21 function at age 16. At that point he had overdosed on
22 drugs, which clearly tells us at that point that his
23 use of alcohol and drugs had already progressed to a
24 point where it was causing significant problems in his
25 life.

1 The records repeatedly document his feeling sad
2 and presenting with symptoms of depression, and the
3 problems with the stepfather's violent temper, and
4 that that needed to be addressed and needed to be
5 treated.

6 Unfortunately, it was not treated. The
7 stepfather opted to not get counseling or therapy for
8 himself. Larry did not want to go home. He had asked
9 to go live with relatives in Michigan. The family,
10 the mother and father, stepfather, decided not to
11 allow that, that Larry needed to come back home.

12 Things did not go well when he went back home.
13 He was violated for his probation, went to Fairfield
14 School, and again removed from the family. He did
15 fairly well. His grades improved in school, his
16 behavior was appropriate.

17 What we find is that his behavior deteriorated
18 from the point that his grandmother died, his mother
19 married his stepfather, and the physical abuse began.
20 You can see this progression. Progression in terms of
21 alcohol and drug use, progression in terms of
22 depression, progression in terms of behavior that
23 becomes more and more erratic and out of control and
24 unpredictable.

25 THE COURT: Meaning his behavior, not his

1 stepfather's?

2 THE WITNESS: No. Meaning Larry's behavior.
3 The overdose when he's in the military. His behavior
4 becomes out of control. At times he's AWOL for days
5 at a time. He's not able to maintain his life in an
6 orderly fashion because of the depression and the
7 effects of the alcohol and drugs.

8 Q. Did you perform any tests or ask Mr. Landrum to
9 undergo any testing in terms of your analysis of his
10 situation?

11 A. Yes, I did.

12 Q. And could you please explain to the Court what
13 testing you did and what, if any, significance it has
14 on your overall opinion?

15 A. I basically did four things. I conducted the
16 Michigan Alcoholism Screening Test. This is a
17 screening instrument to look at an individual's use of
18 alcohol. A score of 5 suggests the person has a
19 problem with alcohol. Larry's score was 35.

20 I also administered the Drug Abuse Screening
21 Test. This is used to screen for drugs other than
22 alcohol. Again the cutoff score is 5 to indicate a
23 problem, and Larry's score was 23.

24 These screening tools just simply reinforced what
25 the records had shown and what my interview had

1 demonstrated, that Larry's use of alcohol and drugs
2 was clearly a problem and was at a level to support a
3 diagnosis of dependence.

4 Also I administered the Wechsler Adult
5 Intelligence Scale to screen for intellectual
6 functioning, found that Larry functions in the average
7 range overall, or full scale IQ was 105. Then I also
8 conducted the Minnesota Multiphasic Personality
9 Inventory.

10 THE COURT: I or II?

11 THE WITNESS: II.

12 A. Basically it demonstrated that his clinical
13 scales were all within normal limits. There were no
14 significant elevations. The only sub-scale that was
15 significantly elevated was the scale that's used to
16 identify individuals who have a high susceptibility to
17 abusing alcohol and drugs.

18 Q. Now you know there was some testimony at the
19 trial, I think even in the mitigation phase --

20 THE COURT: I'm sorry, when were these tests
21 administered?

22 THE WITNESS: The MAST and DAST were July
23 30th, 1993, and the WAIS and the MMPI were December
24 10th, 1993.

25 THE COURT: Thank you.

1 Q. Doctor, as you know, there were some references
2 in the trial, and as I say, even in the mitigation
3 phase that Larry drank too much. In your view is what
4 you're saying just a repeating that kind of statement
5 or is what you're saying something significantly
6 different?

7 A. I think it's significantly different in that,
8 yes, that is one of the symptoms that Larry had was
9 that he drank too much. But more importantly, I think
10 it's imperative that we understand that he had an
11 underlying depression, that his use of alcohol and
12 other drugs, not just alcohol, was a self-medicating
13 approach to treating his depression and dealing with a
14 number of early life traumas and ongoing losses
15 throughout adolescence and into adulthood, he had a
16 number of losses as an adult, and his way of coping
17 was to use alcohol and drugs.

18 So that understanding that, I think we have a
19 better understanding of why the alcohol was there and
20 how the addiction developed, because once an addiction
21 develops, then the individual, yes, they drink because
22 of other factors, but they're also now drinking
23 because they're addicted to the substance.

24 MR. SIMMONS: That's all I have, your
25 Honor.

1 THE COURT: Thank you. Cross.

2 Let me ask, I suppose, Mr. Fulkerson, it
3 being 10 minutes of 12:00, whether you anticipate a
4 brief or extended cross-examination such that it would
5 be appropriate to take the lunch break now?

6 MR. FULKERSON: I would think not more than
7 30 minutes at the most.

8 THE COURT: All right. We'll go ahead then.

9 MR. FULKERSON: Okay.

10 CROSS-EXAMINATION

11 BY MR. FULKERSON:

12 Q. Dr. Smith, when did you first become involved
13 with this case?

14 A. I don't know the exact date. It was in the early
15 part of 1994.

16 Q. And you became involved in the case through the
17 Ohio Public Defender's Office?

18 A. That's correct.

19 Q. And were you paid for your services at that time
20 to prepare the affidavit that is in the record in this
21 case now?

22 A. For this affidavit? Yes.

23 Q. Correct. And how much were you paid for your
24 services for the entire post-conviction process that
25 you were involved in in this case?

1 A. I have no idea. I know what I charge per hour
2 but I don't recall the total amount.

3 Q. What do you charge per hour?

4 A. A hundred seventy-five dollars per hour.

5 Q. Do you have any reasonable estimate of how many
6 hours you put in to prepare the affidavit in your
7 investigation for post-conviction?

8 A. Not at this point I don't.

9 Q. Okay. And you're also being paid for your
10 services today?

11 A. That's correct.

12 Q. And you're charging \$175 an hour?

13 A. No, it's \$225 an hour for court time and
14 testimony.

15 Q. It's been almost 10 years since your previous
16 investigation. How were you contacted to testify in
17 this proceeding?

18 A. Again I was contacted by the Ohio Public
19 Defender's Office.

20 Q. That's fine. Do you support the death penalty?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Your CV says that you do some work with the
23 Catholic Charity Services of Cuyahoga County?

24 A. I have in the past.

25 Q. Are you a practicing Catholic?

1 A. Yes, I am.

2 Q. And you have no opposition to the death penalty
3 based on your religious beliefs?

4 A. No, I do not.

5 Q. Okay. Would you agree that it's not the role of
6 your role in mitigation to make decisions about what
7 strategies the trial counsel should employ?

8 A. I'm sorry, can you say that again?

9 Q. You testified on direct that your role is to
10 present a valid diagnosis of somebody at the time of
11 the crime and provide that to the defense?

12 A. That's correct.

13 Q. You would agree with me then that it's not your
14 role to develop trial strategies, it's for a lawyer to
15 do; correct?

16 A. That's correct.

17 Q. And you're not a lawyer?

18 A. No, I'm not.

19 Q. Would you agree then as a general matter that
20 it's up to counsel to make the decision about what
21 evidence to present in mitigation?

22 A. Yes. I just have one qualifier. Certainly when
23 I'm asked by attorneys to do an evaluation, I will
24 tell them records that I would like to review,
25 individuals that I would like to interview, if I need

1 more time with the defendant, so that I want to give
2 them a thorough evaluation so I will ask for those
3 things. It would be their determination whether or
4 not I receive them, but I will let them know what I
5 need or what I at least feel I need to have a full and
6 comprehensive assessment.

7 Q. Okay. In other words then is it important for
8 you testifying in mitigation that you are presenting
9 testimony that is consistent with the defense theory
10 of the case?

11 A. That's their determination whether or not what I
12 have is consistent with their theory, but what is
13 important to me is that I have as much information as
14 possible to feel confident that the opinions that I'm
15 giving are valid.

16 Q. Do you know the defense strategy Mr. Landrum's
17 attorneys used at trial, at the guilt phase of the
18 trial?

19 A. Their strategy? I'm not sure.

20 Q. Do you know what their strategy was in the
21 mitigation phase of Mr. Landrum's trial?

22 A. No, I'm not sure.

23 Q. You don't know then whether counsel's strategy
24 was to admit Mr. Landrum's guilt or blame someone else
25 for the crime or show that Mr. Landrum was remorseful?

1 A. No, I didn't work with the attorneys so I don't
2 know their strategies.

3 Q. Of the people that you work with through Stella
4 Maris and Behavior Management Associates and your work
5 with Case Western, those are people that generally are
6 seeking your help; is that a fair statement?

7 A. No.

8 Q. That's not a fair statement?

9 A. No.

10 Q. People are -- just come to you? How do they get
11 to you for assistance?

12 A. I have several different groups that I work with.
13 The Hitchcock Center for Women, probably 80 percent of
14 those are coming on their own. Twenty percent are
15 court-ordered treatment.

16 Q. So it's fair to say that some are coming to you
17 really not of their own will, but because of the court
18 direction?

19 A. Right. And then the men's program at Stella
20 Maris is one hundred percent offenders, so they have a
21 choice, the choice is to either go to prison or go to
22 treatment. It's not exactly the same as choosing the
23 treatment.

24 Q. I understand. Would you agree then that somebody
25 in that situation might have a motive to fabricate

1 information to you as a clinician because they're
2 under judicial pressure to do so? I don't mean
3 judicial pressure but --

4 THE COURT: It is judicial pressure. That's
5 right.

6 Q. Well, so would you agree with me that someone in
7 that situation has a different motivation than someone
8 who comes to you of their own free will seeking your
9 help?

10 A. It can. It can be different.

11 Q. And when someone's not forthcoming with you about
12 their background and personal information for whatever
13 reason, that's corrupting your opinion; is that true?

14 A. It limits your opinion. It may not -- there may
15 be sufficient additional sources or whatever that you
16 can still draw a valid opinion, but it would be
17 helpful if they're forthcoming and give you the
18 information themselves.

19 Q. But when they're not giving you good data, your
20 opinion is compromised as a result; is that correct?

21 A. Well, no. That's why I said no. I think again
22 it depends on the number of other sources you have.
23 If I have school records and medical records and
24 psychiatric records and mother and father telling me
25 something and the defendant doesn't necessarily

1 disclose that, that doesn't necessarily corrupt my
2 opinion. What it means is I know what the defendant
3 is telling me but I've got 12 other sources that say
4 it's true.

5 Q. Do you remember testifying in the Mark Brown
6 capital case?

7 A. No. Not necessarily, no.

8 Q. If I refer you to volume II of the book that I've
9 provided, page 126 of that book, and again the page
10 numbers are on the bottom right-hand corner of that.

11 A. (Witness complied.)

12 Q. I'll represent to you that that page is from your
13 testimony in the Mark Brown capital case, and if I can
14 refer you down to lines 17 through 20, could you just
15 read that very briefly? Page 126, lines 17 through
16 20?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. You were asked a question about whether someone
19 is forthcoming with you or not corrupts your opinion
20 and you answered correct?

21 A. That's true.

22 Q. Okay. I just wanted to clarify that.

23 Now you were talking a little bit about testing
24 and interviews. Would you say as a general matter
25 that it's important for you to personally interview

1 someone in a situation like Mr. Landrum before giving
2 your opinion for mitigation purposes?

3 A. I think it depends upon the circumstances of the
4 request by the attorneys so that I don't know that I
5 can say yes or no to that. It's a very broad
6 statement.

7 Q. Do you have to interview somebody to provide the
8 opinions that you're providing?

9 A. It depends on what the circumstances are and what
10 opinion they're asking for.

11 Q. If they're asking you to provide an opinion about
12 someone's psychological diagnosis, do you have to
13 interview them or is that just not necessary if you're
14 given, let's say school records, medical records, test
15 records, that kind of thing?

16 A. I think again it's an awkward question. If I was
17 shown that the defendant had been given an IQ test
18 four or five different times and all of the IQ's were
19 the same, I would probably say there's not much reason
20 to do a full assessment again. Why? We have a steady
21 IQ, there's been no head trauma, the individual's
22 verbal presents normal, I wouldn't see that. If we're
23 trying to diagnose a very significant psychological
24 disorder that may have been only developed recently,
25 it would be important to be able to see them because

1 records may not necessarily reflect that.

2 Q. But you interviewed Mr. Landrum twice?

3 A. That's correct.

4 Q. At least in this case it was important for you to
5 interview him?

6 A. Correct.

7 Q. And you also reviewed some of his school records?

8 A. That's correct.

9 Q. Would you say that's important to review in
10 preparing your opinion?

11 A. Again I think that it's useful.

12 Q. Okay. Just to recap, you did do diagnostic
13 interviews of Mr. Landrum; correct?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. You gave him four tests which you've described,
16 MMPI-II, the WAIS, you gave him the Michigan
17 Alcoholism Screening Instrument and then the --

18 A. Drug Abuse Screening Test.

19 Q. Drug Abuse Screening Instrument. Did you do any
20 other independent investigation on Mr. Landrum's case
21 other than the tests you did and what was given to you
22 in order to prepare your affidavit?

23 A. Review of records. (Witness nodded.)

24 Q. Did you review records not listed in your
25 affidavit?

1 A. No, I did not.

2 Q. So you reviewed what was given to you by the
3 defense?

4 A. That's correct.

5 Q. You didn't do any independent investigation on
6 your own?

7 A. No, I did not.

8 Q. You didn't review any other reports or materials,
9 again that were not given to you specifically?

10 A. The things I reviewed are in my affidavit.

11 Q. Okay. Let me talk a little bit about your
12 affidavit and get into some specifics.

13 How many questions are on the Michigan Alcoholism
14 Screening Test?

15 A. Approximately 28. Twenty-eight, I think.

16 Q. And the Drug Abuse Screening Test is 20
17 questions?

18 A. Twenty-eight as well.

19 THE COURT: Let me just ask a question about
20 that while it's on my mind.

21 THE WITNESS: Sure.

22 THE COURT: If I want to take the MMPI or
23 the Myers-Briggs for example, I have to take it with
24 somebody who's got the right to administer it. What
25 about the MAST. Is it on line?

1 THE WITNESS: The MAST is on line, you could
2 get it as well as the DAST.

3 THE COURT: Go ahead.

4 Q. Looking at your affidavit, in paragraph 14 that
5 you have in front of you there -- I'm sorry just want
6 to back up one second. Paragraph 13. I believe
7 that's on page 7 of your affidavit. In there, you
8 talked about this on direct examination, you talked a
9 lot about Mr. Landrum's background and family and how
10 that affected him later in life. Is that fair to say?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Are you aware that the defense in mitigation
13 tried to show that Mr. Landrum in fact had a good
14 family background?

15 A. I know that when I reviewed the transcript, that
16 there were statements that certain parts of his life
17 were good, yes.

18 Q. Don't you think the testimony that you're
19 proposing here today would conflict with what that
20 trial strategy was, that he came from a good family?

21 A. Again I can't comment on trial strategy.

22 Q. Okay. You also testified fairly extensively
23 about Mr. Landrum's addictive disorders and the
24 effects on him. I'm going to get into that in a
25 little more detail, but are you aware also that

1 defense argued in mitigation that Mr. Landrum did have
2 a background with serious drug and alcohol abuse?

3 A. I know that they mentioned that he abused those
4 substances, yes.

5 Q. Looking at paragraph 14 of your affidavit, and
6 again you talked about this a little bit on direct,
7 Mr. Landrum's time at the Fairfield School for Boys
8 and his time that he was in the Navy. How long was he
9 at the Fairfield School for Boys, do you know?

10 A. I don't recall offhand.

11 Q. It's fair to say from your review of those
12 records that's a pretty structured environment, it's
13 not an open school?

14 A. Very structured environment, yes.

15 Q. But he graduated; correct?

16 A. He completed that school and had very good grades
17 there.

18 Q. Got good grades, got a diploma. Got a driver's
19 license, too, didn't he?

20 A. That's correct.

21 Q. Is it fair to say that he did fairly well while
22 he was there for a substantial period of time?

23 A. I thought that he did exceptionally well there.
24 I was very pleased to see his response to a structured
25 environment without alcohol and drugs.

1 Q. Let's talk a little bit more about the alcohol
2 and drugs, and specifically at the time of the crime.
3 Do you know how much Mr. Landrum weighed at the time
4 of the crime?

5 A. Not offhand. I know that he's always been small
6 in stature.

7 Q. Is it fair to say that your body mass and weight
8 affects the ability, or affects how drugs and alcohol
9 react within your body?

10 A. Yes. What we know is the smaller the individual,
11 the less it requires for an individual to become
12 intoxicated. So someone smaller in stature would
13 require a smaller amount of actual drug in order to be
14 impaired and intoxicated.

15 Q. But you're not sure what his body weight was at
16 the time of the crime?

17 A. Not exactly. I mean I know that he was small in
18 stature. That was documented throughout the medical
19 records that he was always rather small, and with that
20 in mind, the amount of alcohol, even if he had been a
21 large person, based upon the transcript indicating
22 that he had 12 to 18 beers and somewhere around six to
23 eight Ativan would have been enough for a person who
24 weighed 250 pounds to be grossly intoxicated.

25 Q. Okay. Your affidavit, also your direct testimony

1 was that you concluded influence of alcohol and
2 sedatives was prominent in Mr. Landrum at the time of
3 the crime; is that fair to say?

4 A. That's correct.

5 Q. Would that affect his memory of the events at
6 that time?

7 A. Absolutely.

8 Q. Are you aware that Mr. Landrum testified at
9 trial?

10 A. Yes, I am.

11 Q. Are you aware that he testified in some detail
12 about going into Mr. White's apartment and what
13 happened?

14 A. That's correct.

15 Q. It's fair to say he had a very clear memory of
16 what's going on?

17 A. I don't know that at all.

18 Q. In fact, Landrum on cross-examination by the
19 prosecutor said that he knew what he was doing and it
20 was hard to forget what had happened. Did you read
21 that part of the testimony?

22 A. Yes, I did.

23 Q. Mr. Landrum also testified about him and Mr., he
24 and Mr. Swackhamer's drinking a case of beer. In fact
25 you talked about this a little bit on direct, that he

1 had taken eight Ativans and had consumed approximately
2 14 to 18 beers before the crime. Landrum are you
3 aware testified that he had been drinking beers about
4 every five minutes before the crime?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Is that consistent with someone with the
7 diagnoses that you provided?

8 A. Yes.

9 THE COURT: Hang on just a second.

10 Okay.

11 Q. Pretty fast drinker, isn't he? Drinking a beer
12 every five minutes is a pretty fast drinker?

13 A. It's very fast for a social drinker. Again you
14 have to think about a person who is a heavy drinker,
15 an alcoholic. I have seen alcoholics to drink two
16 cases of beer a day, fifth of whiskey and a case a
17 beer a day, so no.

18 Q. Okay. I want to talk about paragraph 18 of your
19 affidavit. I'm going to break this down just a little
20 bit. You concluded within a reasonable degree of
21 psychological certainty that he was dependent on
22 alcohol, sedatives and cannabis at the time of the
23 offense?

24 A. That's correct.

25 Q. And that he was under the influence of alcohol

1 and sedatives at the time of the offense?

2 A. That's correct.

3 Q. And I'm just reading from -- that he was
4 suffering from a depression called dysthymic disorder?

5 A. Disthymic.

6 Q. Thank you. And that was exacerbated by the use
7 of alcohol and sedatives, and that he was in a state
8 of diminished capacity.

9 Are you aware that the State of Ohio doesn't
10 recognize the defense of diminished capacity?

11 A. I think I've read that.

12 Q. Okay. Is it fair to say that your conclusion
13 that Mr. Landrum didn't understand the situation and
14 that his judgment was inappropriate is based on the --
15 Let me strike that. Start over again.

16 Mr. Landrum, in your opinion, did he know right
17 from wrong at the time of the crime?

18 A. I believe that he knew that he was committing a
19 robbery and that was going on.

20 Q. Do you believe that he knew that he was
21 committing a murder? If he was committing murder
22 would he know that he was doing it?

23 A. I don't know that there was deliberation to
24 commit a murder so I don't know about that.

25 Q. But there was a lot of deliberation before the

1 murder; correct?

2 A. Well, there was to break into his home and to rob
3 it. There was planning for that.

4 Q. In fact, there was a lot of planning. That's
5 when he was intoxicated; right?

6 A. Again I don't know what a lot is, but I know
7 there was planning and that occurred while he was
8 using substances.

9 Q. We'll walk down it. He armed himself with a
10 railroad bolt before he went there. He had the
11 foresight to gather a weapon of some kind; correct?

12 A. I know that he had a railroad bolt, or someone
13 did. I don't know that he brought that or who brought
14 that.

15 Q. He and Mr. Swackhamer cased the apartment before
16 they went there; right?

17 A. That's my understanding. (Witness nodded.)

18 Q. Okay. He had the foresight to wear surgical
19 gloves during the burglary?

20 A. Correct.

21 Q. He told Carolyn Brown that he would kill the
22 victim if the victim returned; right?

23 A. I've heard of that. I don't know about that.

24 Q. Well, the Ohio Supreme Court found that in their
25 factual findings. Were you aware of that?

1 A. That could be.

2 Q. Okay. He waited for White to leave the
3 apartment. You are aware of that?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. He was given the -- When Mr. White returned,
6 Mr. White, according to the Ohio Supreme Court said
7 something along the lines of, what are you doing, get
8 out of here, and Mr. Landrum didn't leave?

9 A. That's correct.

10 Q. So all those things kind of indicate some level
11 of understanding of what's going on. Isn't that
12 inconsistent with your opinion that he didn't
13 understand the situation?

14 A. No.

15 Q. Despite the fact that he did all these things up
16 to the time of the crime?

17 A. That's correct.

18 Q. What do you think would have been an appropriate
19 judgment in that situation? You say Mr. Landrum
20 didn't utilize appropriate judgment. What would have
21 been appropriate judgment?

22 A. Well, again I think that what we're looking at is
23 the difference between the ability to think and the
24 ability to think in a logical and in a sort of higher
25 order thinking. Certainly Mr. Landrum was thinking.

1 He's not unconscious, he's not mentally retarded, he's
2 making a plan to do something, but doing it and doing
3 it well are two different things. And clearly he
4 waited for the victim to leave to rob the house and
5 then everything went wrong from that point on.

6 I would suggest that had he not been depressed,
7 not been under the influence of alcohol and drugs,
8 that his response to the situation might have been
9 much different.

10 Q. Do you think most people not having Mr. Landrum's
11 condition that are in a situation where they're
12 burglarizing an apartment, are surprised by the owner,
13 wouldn't react in kind of a panicked kind of reaction?

14 A. I think that would be part of it, and I think
15 adding alcohol and drugs to depression only makes it
16 that much worse.

17 Q. Okay. You talk about his inability to comprehend
18 the situation. What do you understand the situation
19 to have been at the time Mr. White came back into the
20 apartment?

21 A. I didn't say that he was unable. I said it was
22 impaired.

23 Q. His ability to comprehend the situation was
24 impaired?

25 A. Correct.

1 Q. What do you understand is the facts that actually
2 took place when Mr. White was murdered?

3 A. Again I don't know all the facts because I don't
4 have that in front of me at this point. But what I do
5 know is the cognitive functioning of Mr. Landrum at
6 the time, and it's one of those things where it's not
7 really about something willful. If someone injects
8 certain drugs, they have an effect. If someone has a
9 psychiatric disorder, it has symptoms. And the
10 problem with those things, they don't go away.
11 They're persistent, they're present.

12 So a person with depression, those symptoms will
13 be present. If you have injected these drugs, within
14 a period of time they're going to have the effect they
15 have. And so we know that his cognitive functioning
16 must be impaired given what he injected only several
17 hours prior to the offense.

18 MR. FULKERSON: If I can have just a moment?

19 THE COURT: Sure.

20 Q. You gave Mr. Landrum an MMPI; correct?

21 A. That's correct.

22 Q. And that was the second version?

23 A. Uh-huh.

24 Q. The court reporter is taking everything down.

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Did you do a validity determination on the MMPI
2 that you gave Mr. Landrum?

3 A. It has validity scales and reliability scales,
4 and those indicated that the MMPI was both reliable
5 and valid.

6 Q. Did anyone else review the MMPI that you gave Mr.
7 Landrum? Has anyone else ever reviewed it?

8 A. I'm not aware anyone has.

9 Q. You have given MMPI tests to people in the past
10 in this context, capital cases. Has anyone ever
11 looked at your results and determined they were
12 invalid, the test was invalid?

13 A. Looked at the test that I gave that I said was
14 valid and then they found it to be invalid?

15 Q. Correct.

16 A. No.

17 Q. Okay. You didn't give Mr. Landrum a Symptom
18 Checklist test, did you?

19 A. No, I did not.

20 Q. You didn't give him an Impact of Life Events
21 test?

22 A. No.

23 Q. And you didn't give him a Millon Clinical
24 Multiaxial test?

25 A. MCI. No, I did not.

1 Q. Do you need to give those tests to do a thorough
2 examination in this context?

3 A. No. Many of those would be competitive and
4 result in possible invalidity of the test.

5 Q. Did you diagnose Mr. Landrum with a social
6 personality disorder?

7 A. No.

8 Q. Have you ever diagnosed anyone in a capital
9 context with an antisocial disorder?

10 A. Absolutely.

11 Q. You have testified in several of these cases;
12 correct?

13 A. Where I found them to be antisocial?

14 Q. Just in general, you have testified in several
15 capital cases in this context?

16 A. Yes, I have.

17 Q. Would you characterize Mr. Landrum's family life
18 growing up as dysfunctional?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Isn't it true that not everyone that comes from a
21 dysfunctional family suffers from the kinds of
22 disorders Mr. Landrum does?

23 A. I think the problem is taking the term
24 dysfunctional and applying it to all families.
25 Individuals who come from Mr. Landrum's dysfunctional

1 background will present with the symptoms that he has.

2 Q. Okay.

3 THE COURT: Unless he gets treatment, or
4 regardless of whether he gets treatment?

5 THE WITNESS: It will depend upon the type
6 of treatment. Part of the difficulty that I had as a
7 professional was reviewing the Upham Hall records. It
8 was very disappointing to see that they referred to
9 his alcohol and drug abuse repeatedly, yet there was
10 nothing in the treatment plan to address the alcohol
11 and drug addiction.

12 Q. On the MMPI test that you gave Mr. Landrum, did
13 you disregard any of the answers to any of his
14 questions when you scored the test?

15 A. No.

16 Q. Have you ever given an MMPI where you have
17 disregarded answers to questions before that didn't --

18 A. I'm not sure. Do you understand the MMPI?

19 Q. Let me ask this. Have you ever -- you have given
20 MMPI's in other contexts; correct?

21 A. I have given MMPI's throughout my career. In
22 fact my research is on the MMPI.

23 Q. In giving an MMPI test, have you ever looked at
24 the results and thrown out questions that suggest
25 things that are inconsistent with your diagnosis?

1 A. Absolutely not. That would be both unethical and
2 inappropriate. In fact you can't even determine what
3 questions are going to be used or not used. That's
4 not the way the MMPI is scored.

5 Q. You're saying that you have never.--

6 A. It's not based on individual items.

7 Q. Pick and chose?

8 A. The whole idea is that the MMPI is 76 or 77 items
9 and it's based upon profiles, not on individual items.
10 And taking items out, any items out based upon the
11 clinician's determination, would be inappropriate.
12 The only time that you ever look at items individually
13 are what are called the critical items of the MMPI.

14 Q. What are critical items?

15 A. Critical items are items that suggest very severe
16 pathology. Suicidal ideation, alcohol, drug addition.

17 MR. FULKERSON: Can I have just one moment,
18 your Honor?

19 THE COURT: Of course.

20 MR. FULKERSON: Thanks.

21 Your Honor, there will be no further
22 questions.

23 THE COURT: Redirect?

24 MR. SIMMONS: Yes, your Honor. Very
25 briefly, I promise.

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. SIMMONS:

Q. I just wanted to be sure if I haven't already covered this, Doctor. We have in this case as Exhibit 3 an affidavit of Jill Miller, which I'm sure you've seen, I know you've seen. And a confidential memorandum attached to it that she did and submitted as part of her post-conviction proceedings in state court. You are familiar with those?

A. Yes.

Q. Were those important documents for your analysis?

A. Those are very important. Oftentimes they are summaries affidavits that are provided regarding interviews that were done with family members and friends that I would then rely upon as additional data to corroborate or not corroborate opinions that I have.

Q. That's all I have.

THE COURT: Anything further based on that?

MR. FULKERSON: No, your Honor.

THE COURT: I have a couple things myself.

EXAMINATION

BY THE COURT:

Q. Maybe just one area. I think you've said that you believe that Mr. Landrum panicked when Mr. White

1 returned, and that that panic was exaggerated by the
2 effect of the alcohol and Ativan that he had consumed.
3 Did I hear you correctly?

4 A. I think that his response was not a logical
5 response but was a reaction, not a thought-through
6 action but a reaction to the situation that then was
7 based upon an impaired mind that's been sedated by
8 both alcohol and Ativan.

9 Q. Is it at all likely that a person in those
10 circumstances when reacting would chose a pattern of
11 action that he had proposed before?

12 A. That would be a possibility. I think that some
13 of it has to do with -- what's going through my mind
14 is that Mr. Landrum has no history of violence that
15 we're aware of.

16 Q. No history of violence at all?

17 A. Right.

18 Q. The point I'm adverting to is his statement prior
19 to the murder during the course of planning the
20 robbery, that if Mr. White comes back, I'll kill him.
21 He may have been rehearsing that in his head.

22 A. Again I wouldn't want to speculate about what was
23 going on in his head. When people are intoxicated or
24 sedated, thoughts tend to not be as logical and flow
25 as smoothly as we would expect or anticipate, so that

1 oftentimes there's missing logic, there's missing,
2 sort of sequential thinking. And again it's more
3 reaction to an event rather than I'm thinking about.

4 Q. Right.

5 A. He denies saying this so I don't know.

6 Q. Right.

7 A. That statement, I'm not sure what it means.

8 Q. You may step down.

9 A. Okay. Thank you.

10 (Witness excused.)

11 THE COURT: I believe that concludes the
12 testimony to be presented in this matter, and so the
13 next question is briefing schedule.

14 MR. SIMMONS: Could we move to admit the
15 exhibits, please?

16 THE COURT: Of course.

17 MR. COLLYER: Your Honor, just for the
18 record, we're going to object to the exhibits to the
19 extent there are witnesses they did not call and
20 could have called for purposes of this hearing, and
21 we would rely on Williams vs. Coyle for that. That
22 is inadmissible. When the Court orders an
23 evidentiary hearing even though these are exhibits
24 admitted to the state court, if these witnesses are
25 available then those affidavits and reports are

1 MR. WILLE: Thank you.

2 (Messrs. Lazarow and Mezibov conferred privately.)

3 MR. LAZAROW: No further questions, Your Honor.

4 THE COURT: Is this witness released?

5 MR. LAZAROW: Yes, Your Honor.

6 MR. WILLE: Yes, Your Honor.

7 THE COURT: Thank you very much, Mrs. Leahy.

8 (Witness excused.)

9 THE COURT: Call your next witness.

10 MR. MEZIBOV: Dr. Parran.

11 THE CLERK: Raise your right hand, please.

12 (Duly sworn by the Clerk.)

13 THE CLERK: Thank you. Please be seated.

14 THEODORE V. PARRAN, JR., M.D.

15 a witness herein, having previously been sworn, testified as
16 follows:

17 DIRECT EXAMINATION

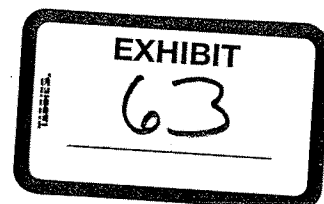
18 BY MR. MEZIBOV:

19 Q. Good morning, Dr. Parran.

20 A. Good morning.

21 Q. Dr. Parran, before I begin to ask you any questions, the
22 first thing I would ask of you is that you state your full
23 name and spell your last name for the record, please.

24 A. My that is Theodore Van Doran Parran -- P-a-r-r-a-n --
25 Junior.



1 Q. Dr. Parran, where do you reside?

2 A. I live in Shaker Heights, Ohio.

3 Q. And could you tell us your occupation, please?

4 A. I'm a physician.

5 Q. And a physician licensed to practice medicine in the
6 State of Ohio?

7 A. In Ohio, yes.

8 Q. Dr. Parran, could you give us the benefit of your
9 educational background?

10 A. I went to college at Kenyon College in Ohio, and then
11 went to medical school at Case Western Reserve University,
12 School of Medicine; graduated in 1982. I did my residency in
13 internal medicine for three years at Johns Hopkins Hospital,
14 in Baltimore City Hospital, in Baltimore, Maryland, and I
15 spent an additional year as a medical chief residence there,
16 so that is my formal education and training.

17 Q. And, Dr. Parran, could you give us the benefit of your
18 professional experience as a physician since the time you
19 graduated from medical school?

20 A. Yes, having graduated from medical school, as I mentioned
21 I spent four years in residency training in Baltimore. I
22 then spent another two years living in Baltimore working on
23 the faculty at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and helping
24 to direct both the general internal medicine Clinic as well
25 as a drug and alcohol treatment program in Baltimore City

1 Hospital. In 1988 I moved back -- I moved back to Cleveland,
2 taking a faculty position at Case Western Reserve University
3 School of Medicine in helping to direct both the general
4 internal medicine Clinic and several drug and alcohol
5 treatment programs and consultation programs in the Greater
6 Cleveland area.

7 Q. And where are you employed at the present time?

8 A. Currently I'm employed part-time by Case Western Reserve
9 School of Medicine as the Director of the Clinical Science
10 Program as well as the Director of the Addiction Medicine
11 Fellowship Program. I'm also employed part-time by the
12 Cleveland V. A. Medical Center helping to -- as the Medical
13 Director of their extensive Drug and Alcohol Treatment
14 Program. And then finally I am part-time or privately
15 employed as a member of a group practice of two of us
16 providing addiction medicine services to hospitals and
17 substance abuse treatment centers in Cleveland.

18 Q. How long have you been working at the V. A. at Cleveland?

19 A. I started working at the V. A. in 19 -- 1993. In 1993,
20 we applied through the V. A. for a grant to support our
21 addiction medicine fellowship program and that was funded as
22 one of only six in the country, and have been employed
23 part-time with the V.A. since then.

24 Q. Dr. Parran, over the course of time have you developed
25 certain areas of specialization in the practice of medicine?

1 A. Yes, I'm board certified in internal medicine and I
2 continue to practice, a small percentage of my time, in
3 general internal medicine. I'm also certified by the
4 American Society of Addiction Medicine in the area of drug
5 and alcohol dependence and treatment. And I honestly spend
6 the majority of my time working in the area of substance
7 abuse treatment, as well as researching, education in the
8 area of addictions.

9 Q. When you say "majority" of your time, could you assign a
10 percentage of your time to that area of practice?

11 A. Probably 70 percent at this point.

12 Q. What is the American Society of Drug Addictions?

13 A. The American Society of Addiction --

14 Q. Addiction Medicine. I'm sorry.

15 A. Yes. It's a multi-disciplinary group of physicians,
16 about 4,000, maybe 4500 members. Approximately 3,000 of us
17 are certified --

18 Q. How do you become certified?

19 A. -- of the organization.

20 In order to be certified in addictions medicine, you have
21 to be able to provide documentation that you have worked
22 full-time in the area of drug and alcohol dependence
23 treatment for at least two years, and then you have to take a
24 certification examination.

25 Q. Now, you have treated, I take it, individuals who have

1 been addicted to alcohol or drugs?

2 A. Yes. Since -- since 1985, I've treated somewhere between
3 1200 and 3,000 patients a year, each year, with a history of
4 addictions, approximately split 50/50 between alcohol
5 dependent and drug dependent.

6 Q. Dr. Parran, in addition to the board certifications that
7 you've told us about, are you a member of any professional
8 boards or associations or organizations?

9 A. Yes, I'm a member, as I mentioned, of ASAM, the American
10 Society of Addiction Medicine. I'm also a member and have in
11 the past served on the board of the -- of an organization
12 called AMERSA, which is the Association for Medical Education
13 and Research in Substance Abuse. I'm a member of the Society
14 for General Internal Medicine. I'm a fellow in the American
15 College of Physicians. And I am a fellow and a member of the
16 Executive Committee on the American Academy of Physician and
17 Patient.

18 Q. Now, Dr. Parran, have you over the course of time
19 published any books or writings or treatises or studies in
20 your particular areas of specialization?

21 A. Yes, I have. I've written, oh, probably more than a
22 dozen maybe, close to two dozen but at least a dozen papers,
23 book chapters, syllabus modules on the treatment of
24 addictions, screening for chemical dependency, screening for
25 chemical dependence, how to present the diagnosis, how to

1 form a treatment plan with patients, management of
2 detoxification and the acute effects of drugs and alcohol,
3 syllabus materials on cocaine dependency, prescription drug
4 abuse, et cetera.

5 Q. Finally, Dr. Parran, have you had occasion before today
6 to testify in court in matters in which you are a specialist
7 or in areas in which you practice?

8 A. Yes, I have. I've testified in both criminal and civil
9 proceedings in the area of management of chemical dependency
10 and/or addiction medicine, especially in the area of the
11 management of acute drug induced delirium. That was a civil
12 case. In the area of prescription drug abuse and stimulant
13 abuse, especially diet pills, those have been criminal cases.

14 Q. And, Dr. Parran, at my request did you bring down to us
15 today a copy of your current CV?

16 A. Yes.

17 (Mr. Mezibov distributing documents to the Court and
18 counsel.)

19 Q. Dr. Parran, I've handed you what's been marked
20 Plaintiff's Exhibit 14. Can you identify that for us,
21 please?

22 A. Yes, it's my C.V. which was updated last summer.

23 Q. So this is current up through the summer of '96?

24 A. It's at least current through, oh, probably July of '96.

25 Q. Now, Dr. Parran, let's turn our attention to this matter

1 involving John Hicks. Could you tell us when you were first
2 hired by myself and Mr. Lazarow in connection with this
3 matter?

4 A. It probably was either late 1994 or early 1995.

5 Q. And do you recall what we asked you to do initially?

6 A. Yes, you asked me to look at the data about the case,
7 especially the information that was gathered around the time
8 of the events in early August of 1985, in order to form an
9 opinion about whether or not cocaine played a role or
10 appeared to have played a role in those events. And,
11 secondly, you asked me to look at the trial proceedings and
12 the testimony to see if I could form an opinion about the
13 quality of the information there regarding the pharmacology
14 of cocaine and how it might relate to this case.

15 Q. And, Dr. Parran, could you tell us how you went about
16 conducting your evaluation in connection with these matters
17 which we asked you to look into?

18 A. Yes. I read through a sort of summary or excerpts of
19 both the police investigation, the police interviews, and
20 then some of the testimony in terms of pretrial, trial and
21 mitigation proceedings.

22 Q. Were you provided the actual trial transcripts then?

23 A. Yes. Yes. And I was able to look at some notes taken by
24 Ms. Leahy. I was able to look at the affidavits of a couple
25 of different physicians or a couple of different doctors. I

1 can give you the doctor's name if you want.

2 Q. Is that Dr. Baum?

3 A. Yes, Dr. Baum.

4 Q. And Julia Hawgood?

5 A. Hawgood, yes.

6 Q. Psychologist?

7 A. And I was able in July of 1995 to actually go in and
8 interview Mr. Hicks. And, finally, I received the
9 depositions of Dr. Schmidt --

10 Q. Schmidtgoessling?

11 A. 'Goessling, and Doctor -- starts with an R.

12 Q. Reardon?

13 A. Reardon.

14 Q. All right.

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Could you tell us when you interviewed Mr. Hicks?

17 A. It was in July of 1995. I don't remember the exact date.

18 Q. Okay. And could you tell us approximately how much time
19 you spent with Mr. Hicks?

20 A. About an hour-and-a-half.

21 Q. And what was the purpose of your speaking with Mr. Hicks?

22 A. I wanted to have a chance to talk with him both about his
23 previous experiences with cocaine prior to the events of
24 August of 1985, to speak with him about how cocaine tended to
25 affect him when he was using it, to get at least his

1 recollections of that point in 1995 of what went on in August
2 of 1985, and, finally, just to get my own sense of him and
3 his mental status, perhaps psychological or psychiatric
4 background. Although my background is in internal medicine
5 and not in psychiatry or psychology, I spend lots of time
6 interviewing people with issues in those areas and I wanted
7 to get a chance to interview him myself about those kinds of
8 things.

9 Q. Dr. Parran, when you were provided these materials -- the
10 trial transcripts, the affidavits and depositions and then
11 actually speaking with Mr. Hicks in person -- were there
12 particular matters you were looking for in order to aid you
13 in your evaluation?

14 A. I was looking for specific descriptions of his mind
15 state, his thinking processes, his sensations when under the
16 influence of cocaine both prior to August of '85 as well as
17 in August of '85, and any descriptions or evidence from
18 interviews that he had provided at that time that might give
19 some evidence or some clue from a clinical standpoint to me
20 as to what state he was in.

21 Q. At the time these offenses were committed?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Now, over the course of looking at these materials and
24 speaking with Mr. Hicks, were you able to find any credible
25 evidence of drug use or its effect in connection with

1 Mr. Hicks?

2 A. Yes, absolutely. His history that he provided to
3 interviewers, provided to me as well, the history that his
4 family members had been able to provide to interviewers, as
5 well as some records from previously mandated court -- or
6 court-mandated treatment from the chemical dependency
7 standpoint, all indicated Mr. Hicks had had a significant
8 addiction problem in the past.

9 Q. You used the term dependence, cocaine dependence. Can
10 you tell us what that means from your standpoint?

11 A. Well, there's sort of an over-arching view or diagnosis
12 we use of chemical dependency, which means the person meets a
13 certain criteria in DSM-IV -- which is the Diagnostic and
14 Statistical Manual-IV edition -- criteria for what would be
15 called in the vernacular "addiction."

16 Chemical dependency -- in this case dependency to cocaine
17 and alcohol -- includes: Compulsive use; use to levels of
18 intoxication that weren't planned; adverse consequences from
19 repetitive use; loss of control of use once initiating that
20 use. So a person, as long as they haven't used any of the
21 drug in a given day, tends to be fairly predictable; but when
22 they do it again, they tend to lose control and over use,
23 resulting in adverse consequences.

24 (Continuing) Increase in preoccupation with use; use
25 despite repetitive and multiple, as I mentioned, adverse

1 consequences; sometimes increased tolerance, and at times
2 physical dependence, including withdrawal from the drug when
3 it's taken away -- although, I must say that 80 percent of
4 people who meet the criteria for a diagnosis of chemical
5 dependency or addiction don't have physical dependence to the
6 drug, meaning they don't use it every day and they don't go
7 through withdrawal when they stop using it.

8 Q. What you've just listed, are those objective signs and
9 symptoms of chemical dependency?

10 A. Yes, they are objective. They're verifiable. They're
11 primarily based on history. But a careful history taken from
12 an individual can generally rule in or rule out chemical
13 dependency.

14 Q. Did you find signs and symptoms of cocaine or chemical
15 dependency in connection with Mr. Hicks?

16 A. Yes, absolutely.

17 Q. Can you describe to us what those objective signs and
18 symptoms of chemical dependency was or were?

19 A. Yes. Mr. Hicks' background with alcohol and drug abuse
20 -- primarily marijuana early on -- resulted in repetitive
21 adverse consequences in his life from a performance
22 standpoint in school, from a performance standpoint at work,
23 from a financial standpoint, and from a legal standpoint from
24 his late teens on.

25 He, during periods of less use or abstinence, tended to

1 function quite well, and at times of increasing use
2 developed, as I mentioned, repetitive adverse consequences
3 resulting in pain and suffering in his life as well as in
4 those surrounding him.

5 Sometime in, the best of my recollection, the late
6 '70s/early '80s, Mr. Hicks' drug of choice seemed to switch
7 from alcohol and marijuana to cocaine and alcohol. And he
8 developed, I think, inarguable evidence of cocaine addiction,
9 including in 1982 or '83 going through a significant amount
10 of money -- several thousand dollars that he had in a
11 retirement fund -- in cocaine use, and actually in the year
12 of 1985, earlier that year, going through probably a couple
13 thousand dollars in his bank account and his wife's bank
14 account for cocaine use. So that indicates cocaine
15 dependence to me.

16 Another thing that indicates cocaine dependence is
17 actually the way he tends to use. Initially, he started to
18 use cocaine by snorting it, and fairly soon shifted to using
19 I.V. And the data about cocaine use and the routes of
20 administration indicates that of the 35 million Americans or
21 so who have intermittently tried cocaine, there's about three
22 million or three-and-a-half million, 10 percent, that develop
23 cocaine addiction or cocaine dependence. And the vast
24 majority of those who shift from intermittent use of cocaine,
25 what might be casual use of cocaine and cocaine dependence,

1 tend to change their route of administration. They either
2 use an I.V. or, more recently now, smoking the cocaine.

3 So, when I see a person who has a history of shifting
4 their route of administration to an I.V. form, that is
5 powerful evidence of a move to addiction.

6 And then, finally, the pattern with which he tended to
7 use. He tended to use an intermittent binge pattern of
8 cocaine. And, once again, people who are casual users or
9 occasional users of cocaine tend to use it casually and
10 occasionally. People who tend to lose control of cocaine,
11 like most other stimulants that we have experienced with over
12 the last hundred years or so, tend to shift to a pattern
13 where they intermittently binge on the cocaine where they
14 initially use it, and then use it several times to multiple
15 times over the next few hours to few days until their money
16 runs out, or they become too paranoid, or they become too
17 exhausted, and then they sort of quit using the cocaine and
18 crash and go to sleep and sleep off the binge. And it tends
19 to be a -- sadly, sort of a payday phenomenon where people
20 get paid on Friday and have strong urges and connect the use
21 of cocaine with the handling of money, and then people tend
22 to binge in the middle part of the week, recover on the
23 weekend to go to work on Monday.

24 Q. What you describe, is that a phenomenon you observed or
25 found in the history of Mr. Hicks?

1 A. Absolutely.

2 Q. Now, can an individual feign or fake cocaine dependency
3 or chemical dependency?

4 A. No, not really. It's -- it's really not possible to fake
5 addiction to the point of spending several thousand dollars
6 of a retirement fund in a matter of several weeks to a couple
7 of months intermittent binging on cocaine and then earlier in
8 1985 a couple of thousand dollars' worth of the entire bank
9 account of oneself and one's spouse. That is just not a
10 pattern that people are able to put on.

11 Q. What was the significance of this history that you found
12 with regard to Mr. Hicks in your evaluation that we asked you
13 to do for us?

14 A. Well, the history that I found with Mr. Hicks in terms of
15 his shifting from marijuana to cocaine, people who have
16 previously been dependent on marijuana -- which is a sort of
17 a small scale or fairly weak stimulant on the dopamine
18 system -- a person who's been a habitual dependent or
19 addicted marijuana smoker, if they start using cocaine, tend
20 to in a high percentage of cases, I would say 85 percent of
21 the time, develop cocaine dependence, and it's certainly what
22 happened to Mr. Hicks.

23 Q. You mentioned the dopamine phenomenon. What is that?

24 A. Uh-huh. Cocaine has three primary effects in the body,
25 three primarily pharmacological effects. It's first effect

1 is to basically short circuit the peripheral nerves. It
2 blocks the sodium potassium-pumping peripheral nerves and,
3 therefore, it is a very good anesthetic, and cocaine is used
4 as a local anesthetic. Since the peripheral nerves are short
5 circuited, they can't transmit pain sensation and so they
6 become deadened or numb, the area where it's applied.

7 The second effect of cocaine is systemic effect, a
8 through-the-body effect, and that is a blocking of the
9 reuptake of norepinephrine and also to some degree
10 stimulating the release of norepinephrine.

11 Q. And norepinephrine is?

12 A. Norepinephrine is known in the vernacular as adrenaline,
13 a hormone, a systemic hormone released by the adrenal gland
14 which tends to stimulate increased heart rate, increased
15 blood pressure, increased reflexes, decreased appetite, gets
16 rid of a need for sleep, so people don't sleep and they don't
17 eat and they're all jazzed up. And the rush of cocaine, the
18 -- what's described as the initial rush of cocaine, is a
19 norepinephrine or adrenaline surge.

20 The third effect of cocaine is a central effect in the
21 central nervous system where cocaine blocks the reuptake of
22 dopamine and it also stimulates the release of dopamine.
23 Dopamine is a neurotransmitter.

24 Q. A neurotransmitter is what?

25 A. A neurotransmitter -- a neurotransmitter is a chemical

1 release by one nerve or neuron in the brain which then
2 stimulates a second nerve or neuron in the brain and produces
3 a reaction or a feeling. And dopamine is the -- is the
4 neurotransmitter which produces euphoria in the human brain.
5 For example, on the first sunny, warm day in spring, if we
6 were able to measure dopamine levels in our brain compared to
7 the last snowy, cold day in February, all of our dopamine
8 levels would be a little higher because our spirits would be
9 a little higher because of that external stimuli.

10 Q. Spring fever actually has a physiological effect?

11 A. Clearly. Absolutely. Dopamine is deficient, or the
12 brain is relatively immune to normal levels of dopamine when
13 people have clinical depression and, therefore, most
14 antidepressant medications work either directly or indirectly
15 to intensify the brain's sensitivity to dopamine so that our
16 spirits are lifted and the depression eases. Dopamine
17 honestly is released during any pleasurable experience.

18 Cocaine is the most potent drug that's been identified
19 which blocks the reuptake and stimulates the release of large
20 amounts of dopamine in the brain, and, hence, it produces
21 variant euphoria. So, pretty much all addictive drugs that
22 we know of, from nicotine to marijuana, from heroin to
23 cocaine, including things like alcohol and Valium and even
24 prescription pain medications, all either directly or
25 indirectly increase dopamine levels in the brain. Dopamine

1 is clearly a final, common pathway of addictive drugs.

2 Q. Now, Dr. Parran, what I'm going to ask you is this
3 question: Based on all of the materials you were provided
4 which you reviewed in connection with this matter, and
5 drawing on your professional experience and knowledge, do you
6 have an opinion, to a reasonable degree of medical certainty,
7 whether Mr. Hicks was cocaine- or chemically dependent at the
8 time he committed the offenses in question?

9 A. Yes, he certainly was cocaine dependent and alcohol
10 dependent and, hence, he had chemical dependence with a drug
11 of choice, of cocaine, and a secondary drug of choice, of
12 alcohol -- that would be the current terminology we use
13 clinically.

14 Q. You described how the cocaine affects an individual
15 pharmacologically; correct?

16 A. (Nods head affirmatively.)

17 Q. Could you tell us what cocaine psychosis is?

18 A. Yes. I just described the sort of three pharmacological
19 effects of a single dose of cocaine: Peripheral nerve
20 numbing, of how the drug was administered, and then sort of
21 systemic rush of a surge of norepinephrine, and then central
22 release of dopamine and euphoria. That's what happens when
23 anyone takes a single dose of cocaine.

24 As people take more and more cocaine, as people
25 repetitively administer cocaine, several things happen: Less

1 and less dopamine is released because the dopamine nerves in
2 the brain only have a certain supply. Since the cocaine
3 stimulates too much release of dopamine and doesn't let the
4 nerve take it back up to recycle it, the nerve becomes
5 depleted of dopamine and, hence, subsequent administrations
6 of the drug produce lower and lower amounts of euphoria. At
7 the same time when the drug wears off, people have what is
8 called dysphoria, or a hangover. It's almost better to
9 grasp --

10 Q. Is it easier to chart that?

11 A. The euphoria -- it would be easier to draw it out.

12 MR. MEZIBOV: Your Honor, may I use the chart?

13 THE COURT: We'll recess and he can draw his
14 diagram.

15 MR. MEZIBOV: Thank you, Judge.

16 THE CLERK: All rise.

17 (At 10:12 a.m., a brief recess was taken.)

18 * * * (10:35 a.m.)

19 THE COURT: Is the petitioner ready to proceed?

20 MR. MEZIBOV: Yes.

21 THE COURT: Respondent ready to proceed?

22 MR. WILLE: Yes.

23 THE COURT: Proceed.

24 BY MR. MEZIBOV:

25 Q. Dr. Parran, during the break you have prepared a couple

1 of exhibits for us; have you not?

2 A. Yes, I have.

3 Q. And we were talking about cocaine psychosis and the
4 pharmacological effects of that.

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Could you, with the Court's permission, come down and
7 show us what you prepared for us?

8 A. Okay.

9 THE COURT: Proceed.

10 MR. MEZIBOV: Your Honor, with your permission.
11 Maybe if we all came closer. Is it okay?

12 THE COURT: I can see.

13 MR. MEZIBOV: Okay.

14 (Witness positioned by the easel.)

15 A. What I've tried to graph out here is the effects that one
16 might receive from the administration of a fixed dose of
17 cocaine by two different routes.

18 What I've drawn in a solid line here, sort of this wavy
19 shape, is the effect that one might receive from snorting or
20 intranasally administering perhaps 10 milligrams of cocaine.

21 And along this axis here is sort of a person's mental
22 state, base line, euphoria and dysphoria, and at the bottom
23 end of dysphoria, paranoia.

24 And what I've drawn along this axis is time.

25 If a person snorts, for example, 10 milligrams of

1 cocaine, it takes about two minutes for a person to really
2 start getting high. It's because cocaine is fairly slowly
3 absorbed across the nose membrane and there isn't very much
4 membrane in the nose to absorb it.

5 Also, we mentioned that one of cocaine's initial effects
6 is to produce a lot of norepinephrine in the system, a lot of
7 adrenaline in the system, and that causes a spasm of smooth
8 muscles which closes down blood vessels. So, there isn't
9 much blood to the nose when one snorts, so the cocaine is
10 slowly absorbed. The peak euphoria is after 20 minutes. The
11 total duration of euphoria is 40 minutes, possibly a little
12 longer, possibly a little shorter, and then there is
13 dysphoria, there is a hangover. And as with any
14 mood-altering drug that a human self-administers, the
15 euphoria is always followed by dysphoria. It doesn't matter
16 if it is alcohol or nicotine or cocaine. And the intensity
17 of the low is pretty directly proportional to the intensity
18 of the high, to use the example of alcohol that many people
19 are more familiar with. How intoxicated a person gets is
20 proportional to their hangover. And it'd take approximately
21 the same time to come back to base line from dysphoria to
22 euphoria, that is, if you snort cocaine.

23 THE COURT: So the episode is 80 minutes?

24 THE WITNESS: Eighty minutes from snorting cocaine,
25 yes. When you look at this kind of a curve, you see a curve

1 that actually resembles having a mixed drink at a party. A
2 person, after a little while, gradually becomes a little
3 disinhibited (sic) or euphoric. It wears off after a period
4 of time with dysphoria and a person comes back to base line.

5 If you take those same 10 milligrams of cocaine, instead
6 of administering intranasally, if you use it in an I.V. or if
7 you smoke it -- it is just that the cocaine that was
8 available in 1985 generally was cocaine hydrochloride, the
9 acid form of cocaine, it was not smokeable. Cocaine
10 carbonate (phonetic) or base, so-called freebase, is crack
11 cocaine. This is what's marketed now and it is easily
12 smokeable by changing it from its acid to base form, which
13 most people cocaine dependent smoke it. Back in '85, most
14 people with cocaine dependence couldn't turn cocaine
15 hydrochloride into cocaine chlorate (phonetic) and smoke it,
16 so they tended to use it in an I.V. And if you take the 10
17 milligrams of cocaine, if I had drawn it proportionally, this
18 area below this curve here should be equal to the area under
19 this curve here because it's the same 10 milligrams of
20 cocaine. But what happens is this onset of the high begins
21 in 15 to 30 seconds instead of two minutes.

22 THE COURT: That is I.V.?

23 THE WITNESS: I.V., or smoking. But for purposes
24 of this discussion, I.V. It begins in 15 seconds; takes
25 about that long for blood circulation to move through the arm

1 to the inferior vena cava to the lungs to the brain. It
2 peaks at about two minutes. It is pretty much done, in terms
3 of the measurable or reported euphoria, within about ten
4 minutes, and then there is a very deep dysphoria that follows
5 the very high euphoria, and then much more gradually the
6 dysphoria comes back to base line.

7 Q. What is the impact or the dysphoria with respect to the
8 paranoia that you've also outlined on the chart?

9 A. Well, if a person uses a small amount of cocaine I.V.,
10 they get very intensively euphoric for a short period of time
11 and then their actual mood, their spirits -- this is what is
12 called dysphoria, depression, despondency, lack of interest
13 in anything in life, except perhaps using more cocaine is
14 what sort of dysphoria would be defined as. And if the
15 dysphoria gets deep enough, people tend to repetitively
16 report paranoid ideation, paranoid feelings, and that will
17 become more important when I show you the next graph which
18 demonstrates multiple self-administered doses of cocaine.

19 The reason why I said if a person shifts to an I.V. form
20 of cocaine from a snorting form of cocaine that it indicates
21 to me addiction, is that when a person is this high, this is
22 not a "social high." The high is so intense at this point
23 that the human brain has a tough time processing other
24 stimuli. When a person is this intoxicated, it's often
25 considered a so-called social lubricant. When a person is

1 this intoxicated, it probably doesn't matter to the person
2 whether they are at a party or isolated. It's just tough to
3 interpret much else here. And then the low is so low, the
4 hangover is so intense, that most social users of the drug,
5 whatever that drug may be, if they're used to doing this
6 and they ever do this kind of intense experience with the
7 drug, they say "This is too high. This is too low. The
8 whole thing was gone too quick. I'll never do that again."

9 When a person has the disease of addiction, this is
10 interpreted, this intense high is interpreted as Nirvana.
11 And this intense low, by some strange neurochemical mechanism
12 of addiction that we don't -- that we haven't identified yet,
13 this intense low is actually interpreted by the addicted
14 brain as a reason to use again now, which is the difference
15 between social users of mood-altering substances and people
16 with chemical dependency. It is clearly a brain lesion. It
17 is clearly a disease of neurochemistry. But we don't know
18 why this -- what would be called a negative reinforcer, a
19 reason not to do that behavior again -- is interpreted in the
20 addicted brain as a reason to use now.

21 Q. Before we turn the chart, for purposes of the record
22 we'll indicate that Dr. Parran has signed his name and
23 initialed his first chart. We've marked that as Exhibit 15.

24 A. Seeing this sort of basic pharmacology of cocaine, sort
25 of regardless of chemical dependency or not, this is the same

1 graph --

2 (New chart displayed.)

3 A. -- that typifies a cocaine binge or a person who
4 repeatedly self-administers cocaine by the I.V. route, as is
5 evidenced in this case.

6 Q. This is again marked Exhibit 16 and bears your initials
7 and the date.

8 A. Yes. Yes. What happens is that the initial use of the
9 cocaine produces an intense euphoria that goes away
10 relatively shortly; but the dysphoria lasts a long time. The
11 dysphoria tends to produce in a person with an addiction an
12 overpowering urge to use again. And so they use again, but
13 this time the place where they start from is actually at a
14 low level, as opposed to a normal base line.

15 THE COURT: I'm sorry. This is your addict? Is
16 this your addict? Are we dealing now with an addict?

17 THE WITNESS: Yes. A person with addiction, yes.

18 THE COURT: All right. And you say "a long time."
19 How long?

20 THE WITNESS: The dysphoria after a single
21 administration of cocaine can certainly last -- can certainly
22 last 80 minutes.

23 THE COURT: Well, now on the other chart it was a
24 short time, you told me.

25 THE WITNESS: The dysphoria peaks soon, but it has

1 a gradual tail.

2 THE COURT: But now you're changing it. You had it
3 about 50 or 60 minutes, and now you're changing to 80
4 minutes. Aren't you?

5 THE WITNESS: Well, this is the dysphoria, or the
6 -- or the intense low that people feel. They gradually come
7 back to base line, but the craving for more cocaine is
8 described to last -- to last significantly longer than that.
9 But this is actually the low mood state, and this is 60
10 minutes, 50 minutes, somewhere in that range.

11 THE COURT: I'm just using your charts now.

12 THE WITNESS: Okay. That's fine.

13 THE COURT: So, the line, the diagonal line that
14 you were just talking with before I interrupted you --

15 THE WITNESS: Yes.

16 THE COURT: -- is a 60- to 80 minute line?

17 THE WITNESS: Certainly an hour.

18 THE COURT: All right.

19 THE WITNESS: Certainly an hour.

20 THE COURT: So in Mr. Hicks' case, we're dealing
21 now with the first hour?

22 THE WITNESS: This would be the first
23 self-administration, so it would be about the first hour.

24 THE COURT: So the euphoria was felt again --
25 before the euphoria was felt again, we're dealing with an

1 hour of time?

2 THE WITNESS: I'd have to go back and look through
3 the notes for exactly the period of time that was reported,
4 but it's -- it's my recollection now that the first
5 administration took place, and then within -- between an hour
6 and two hours the second administration took place. And then
7 once again there is some differing reports of between three
8 and five injections; about an hour or so, maybe two hours,
9 with a third injection, yes.

10 THE COURT: Proceed.

11 THE WITNESS: Okay.

12 A. (Continuing) What will typically happen in a cocaine
13 binge is a person will use cocaine, they'll feel high,
14 they'll feel very low. They'll grad -- their spirits will be
15 very low here. They'll self-administer again sometime. When
16 they self-administer again, the peak of the high is
17 significantly lower than the initial, partly because they're
18 starting from a lower base line state when they use again,
19 but partly because there isn't as much dopamine in the
20 original nerve as there was in the first place because so
21 much was released in the initial -- in the initial use of the
22 drug. And so you're dealing with a functionally
23 dopamine-depleted nerve and, hence, it can't release as much
24 dopamine. So, with the second administration, people never
25 report being anywhere near as high as with the first

1 administration, and always report that the low is much lower
2 than after the first administration.

3 So, if we have a second administration, at some point
4 during that same binge, honestly these administrations in
5 some cocaine binges are every 15 to 20 minutes. Sometimes
6 they're spaced out by a few to several hours. Usually it's
7 in the range --

8 THE COURT: When do they become fatal?

9 THE WITNESS: Cocaine -- cocaine binges actually
10 are surprisingly rarely fatal, considering we have about
11 three million people intermittently binging on cocaine per
12 year in the United States. We only have about somewhere
13 between a thousand and 1500 fatal overdoses from cocaine per
14 year.

15 THE COURT: How much -- how much does that take?
16 Or does it vary with the size of the individual? Or is it
17 something that can be -- can't be determined except on a
18 case-by-case basis?

19 THE WITNESS: It is a case-by-case-basis. The
20 reason being, because the fatality of cocaine tends to
21 involve one of three mechanisms -- actually four; the most
22 common I'll get to last. The first is spasm of the coronary
23 arteries, smooth muscle in the arteries in the heart which
24 spasm lead to a heart attack and then death. And that is
25 just sort of an intermittent thing that is unpredictable.

1 Secondly, a seizure. And it's entirely unpredictable
2 when a person can have a seizure associated with cocaine
3 use.

4 Thirdly, rarely will people have a stroke from cocaine
5 use, and it can be a large stroke and produce death. The
6 most common way that cocaine produces death is suicide, and
7 there's lots of suicides as well as homicides associated with
8 this sort of bizarre paranoid behavior that begins when
9 people are in the midst of a binge. We don't have good
10 numbers on that. The numbers that I gave you of about 1500
11 people a year, maybe 2000, who die of cocaine overdoses are
12 from heart attacks, seizures or strokes.

13 THE COURT: And you say that cocaine base leads to
14 this episode that you've just described in Exhibit 16 more
15 than just powder cocaine?

16 THE WITNESS: Actually, cocaine hydrochloride,
17 powdered cocaine and cocaine base, rock cocaine or crack
18 cocaine, are pharmaceutically the same thing. It's -- it's
19 just that in order to get enough cocaine hydrochloride, the
20 powdered cocaine, into one's system to experience this, it
21 really has to be used in an I.V., and most Americans are
22 terrified of needles and won't use an I.V. Cocaine base is
23 pharmaceutically identical. It is just if you smoke cocaine,
24 it is all instantly absorbed by the lung. The nicotine
25 companies have known that any mood-altering substance that

1 can be volatilized or vaporized and, hence, inhaled, can be
2 instantly absorbed by the lung and, hence, delivered pretty
3 much directly to the brain, and so it's two different
4 delivery systems for really, honestly, the same drug.

5 THE COURT: And it's only cocaine base that can be
6 delivered to the lung?

7 THE WITNESS: Yes. Cocaine hydrochloride, powdered
8 cocaine. If you heat it, you have to heat it to 400 degrees
9 centigrade for it to burn, and then it actually burns and
10 denatures, rather than vaporizes. Cocaine chlorate -- or
11 what we know as crack cocaine, rock cocaine or base -- if you
12 heat it, since it's in the base form, it vaporizes at a
13 hundred degrees centigrade; temperature that is easy to reach
14 in, you know, any sort of smokeable form. And, hence, since
15 it volatilizes and vaporizes, it is able to be smoked,
16 inhaled in the lungs and absorbed directly by the lungs, much
17 like nicotine. And the -- I hate to say it, but the
18 advantage -- but the advantage of delivering a mood-altering
19 drug to the brain by the lung is that it's all absorbed into
20 the lung immediately in a very small -- one heartbeat's worth
21 of blood, when then in the next heartbeat it gets delivered
22 to the left heart, which then in the next heartbeat is
23 delivered to the brain. So, we're really talking from the
24 time you smoke cocaine it is -- from the time you inhaled to
25 the time the cocaine hits your brain is, for all practical

1 purposes, three to four heartbeats, and so it's an even
2 quicker, more concentrated way to deliver a boullis of the
3 drug to the brain, hence, it tends to, if anything, be even a
4 little bit more reinforcing with even a little bit more acute
5 onset and possibly a higher peak than using an I.V.

6 THE COURT: So, the use of cocaine base is more
7 likely to result in an episode that you've described on
8 Exhibit 16 than the use of cocaine hydrochloride?

9 THE WITNESS: The use of cocaine base is just as
10 likely to produce this kind of a binging situation
11 (indicating) as the use of cocaine hydrochloride I.V. And
12 the use of cocaine hydrochloride by snorting, the intranasal
13 route, tends to be less likely to produce this kind of a
14 phenomenon.

15 THE COURT: And this episode you say results in
16 violence or death?

17 THE WITNESS: Well, yes.

18 THE COURT: Violence against self, violence against
19 others?

20 THE WITNESS: Especially with subsequent
21 self-administrations. Each time a person uses, the high is
22 less high and the low is even more low. With more and more
23 dysphoria, more and more paranoia, more and more intrusive
24 thoughts, more and more difficulty interpreting normal
25 stimuli as being non-threatening. It tends to lead to people

1 arming themselves on often a regular basis, using more and
2 more by themselves, being more paranoid in their ideation,
3 misinterpreting external cues and participating in what
4 everyone else would observe as unprovoked random violence.

5 THE COURT: As a practical matter, a user of
6 cocaine -- "addict," if you will -- the only way they can use
7 it or assimilate it is by self-administration; isn't it?
8 There is only one to administer to?

9 THE WITNESS: No, I've interviewed lots of patients
10 with positive toxicology tests for cocaine, all of which are
11 certain someone slipped it in their drink. And when the
12 story comes out, that doesn't happen.

13 THE COURT: Proceed. I'm sorry.

14 THE WITNESS: No. The important aspect with this
15 kind of a graph is that as people in the midst of a binge
16 with cocaine, repetitive self-administration of cocaine, as
17 they become more and more dysphoric, the paranoia and then
18 more clearly psychotic symptoms of cocaine psychosis become
19 prominent. The estimates are that when people use cocaine
20 I.V. or they smoke it, and if they use it in an intermittent
21 binge crack pattern, the estimates are at least 50 percent
22 and probably 70 percent of people develop significant
23 paranoid ideation during the end -- during binges after the
24 initiation, or binges lasting for a few to several hours
25 after the end of a binge; 50 to 70 percent. One would say,

1 "Well, if this drug produces euphoria first and then all of
2 this terrible dysphoria and more and more paranoia and after
3 a while a person is using and not getting back to base line,
4 why on earth do people continue to use it?" -- that is
5 addiction. If I had an answer to that, it would be even
6 simpler to treat people.

7 The paranoia, sort of the continuum from dysphoria to
8 paranoia to psychosis with cocaine -- and it honestly is a
9 continuum, almost like a continuum of white to black with
10 many shades of gray in between -- is one which has clearly
11 been identified and honestly was identified back in the early
12 '80s as a phenomenon which was susceptible to something
13 called the "kindling effect." And let me just describe the
14 kindling effect and then I'll stop and answer questions, I
15 guess.

16 The kindling effect was first identified in manic
17 depressive disease or so-called bipolar disease, where it was
18 observed that if a person had manic depressive disease, when
19 they first developed it, their manic episodes would last a
20 long time and not be real manic and they're depressive
21 episodes would last a long time and not be very depressed.
22 And as a person went through the cycling of manic depressive
23 disease, it required less stimulation of a mania to bring
24 upon a more and more intense depression and then less
25 stimulation of a depression to bring on more an more intense

1 mania. And it seemed that person seemed to cycle more and
2 more rapidly between mania and depression and it's been
3 hypothesized as an electrical phenomenon in the brain called
4 the Kindling phenomena.

5 It was next demonstrated in the early '60s in Lexington,
6 Kentucky at the Addiction Research Center at the Federal
7 Penitentiary for Drug Offenders that the Kindling phenomenon
8 was clearly present in opium dependents. The way that they
9 studied this is, they basically took federal prison
10 volunteers who had a history of opium dependence and they
11 gave them morphine for six weeks -- six times a day by
12 injection and then they put them in a small room with bizarre
13 wallpaper for five days and let them go through untreated
14 withdrawal. And they took -- and morphine withdrawal lasts
15 for five days. Then they'd take them out of that room and
16 put them back in prison for six months with no morphine, and
17 they would bring them back and just put them back in the room
18 with bizarre wallpaper without any morphine, and 100 out of
19 100 patients would develop dilated pupils, runny noses,
20 objective and substantive signs and symptoms of opiate
21 withdrawal just being in the context where they had been in
22 previously untreated withdrawal before. Sort of a Pavlovian
23 learned response, one might say.

24 What was demonstrated in research in the late '70s and
25 the early '80s with cocaine psychosis and with

1 cocaine-associated seizures is that clearly a kindling
2 phenomenon is present with cocaine as well, especially in the
3 area of cocaine-associated paranoia, cocaine-associated
4 psychosis and cocaine-associated seizures. The earliest
5 research was with the seizure in the late 1970s. They
6 identified people tended not to have a cocaine-associated
7 seizure unless they had been on an extensive binge,
8 tremendous quantities of cocaine, a couple thousand dollars
9 worth of cocaine on a weekend, and then they would finally
10 surpass the level of cocaine toxicity in their system where
11 they would have a seizure. And once they had that one
12 seizure, subsequent use of cocaine to a much lower level --
13 just two or three or four administrations of cocaine -- could
14 produce a seizure in the same person, where previously it had
15 required 20 or 30 self-administrations. Once the wiring
16 mechanism or the response of a seizure to cocaine
17 intoxication had happened in those people's brains, it took
18 less of an insult from the drug to produce the same effect.

19 What was then identified in the early 1980s is that it
20 was exactly the same with cocaine-associated paranoia and
21 cocaine psychosis. Then originally when people began using
22 cocaine in an addictive way, it required a lot of cocaine, a
23 heavy, heavy binge maybe for a day and -- a day or two days
24 for a person to really start getting toxic from a paranoid
25 and sort of psychotic delusional standpoint. But once they

1 had reached that, subsequently -- even if they had been off
2 cocaine for six months or a year -- subsequently only a
3 couple, three, four, five administrations of cocaine could
4 produce similar paranoid and psychotic symptoms, a kindling
5 phenomena, which was identified in the literature in the
6 early '80s -- clearly in the early '80s but also in --
7 associated with amphetamine psychosis, and cocaine is
8 scheduled as an amphetamine-like drug. The kindling
9 phenomenon with amphetamine psychosis has been well known
10 since the 1950s. I'll stop.

11 Q. Dr. Parran, I'm going to ask you to resume your seat, if
12 you would.

13 (Witness regained the witness stand.)

14 Q. Dr. Parran, you've mentioned three central features, I
15 believe, in this discussion here: One is cocaine psychosis;
16 two is this concept of binging; and third is that of the
17 concept of kindling, kindling effect.

18 Could you relate all of those concepts or phenomena with
19 the history of John Hicks as you understood it from the
20 materials that you were provided?

21 A. Yes. Certainly Mr. Hicks, his past history over the last
22 three to four years prior to the crimes that were committed,
23 demonstrated an intermittent binge-type dependence or
24 addiction on cocaine. His pattern clearly was a binging-type
25 pattern where he wouldn't use it for several days, often

1 several weeks; occasionally a few to several months. But
2 then once he did use, he'd use repetitively and then try to
3 stop it. And once -- once he had used, he used repetitively
4 on that occasion and then he stopped it, but he'd only be
5 able to be stopped for a short period of time and then he was
6 repetitively again. Sort of a gradually accelerating
7 intermittent binge pattern. Periods between binges got
8 shorter and shorter. That certainly is what he described in
9 his interview with Dr. Baum in 1990 and it is what he
10 described to some degree in his interview with Ms. Leahy.

11 And certainly the descriptions that Mr. Hicks gave to
12 Ms. Leahy as well as the detectives in Knoxville when they
13 interviewed indicated there was a cocaine binge that he had
14 -- that the events of August 4th or 5th, I can't remember
15 which date it was, had the hallmarks of a binge: Hadn't used
16 for a while, pay day, got paid, got his money, all of his
17 plans for the day went out the window; used cocaine --
18 actually initially had a little bit of trouble getting the
19 initial cocaine and started getting edgy and restless and
20 irritable, used the cocaine, felt very high. As it went
21 away, he got increasingly crescendo urgings or cravings to
22 use more cocaine, again began to cast about on how to get
23 money for more cocaine, et cetera. So, it's -- it's classic
24 for a cocaine binge.

25 The paranoia, moving towards cocaine psychosis, is

1 actually there's some evidence in the interview done in
2 Knoxville with the detectives that supports there being
3 paranoia, intrusive thoughts, difficulty following through
4 and maintaining one thought pattern, erratic, irrational, and
5 uncharacteristic out-of-control behavior on his part is all
6 there. Even in the interview it was concluded by people, you
7 know, who will -- who are law enforcement professionals, not
8 clinicians -- had clinicians been conducting that interview,
9 I think several points would have been followed up on and a
10 lot more data in the interview, but, I think there is clearly
11 some data there and then much more data in the interview done
12 by Ms. Leahy about the mental state or the thinking state,
13 psychological state that Mr. Hicks was in after or during
14 this binge of cocaine.

15 And then the kindling phenomenon also is -- there's some
16 evidence for the kindling phenomenon in Mr. Hicks' history in
17 the assessment done by Dr. Baum, the really good chemical
18 dependency evaluation done by Dr. Baum in 1990, as well as
19 some in Ms. Leahy's interview indicating previous sort of
20 binging patterns and suspiciousness and paranoid ideation in
21 the past when he had used the cocaine -- much more heavily
22 in the past than at this time. So, I think there is evidence
23 of all of that.

24 Q. Now, let me ask you -- let me ask you some ultimate
25 opinions in a moment. But before I do, in looking through

1 paranoia comes on after the intoxication has worn off, when
2 the dysphoria has kicked in, and it tends to get worse and
3 worse with subsequent administrations. So, the dysphoria
4 paranoia and psychosis tends to increase with subsequent
5 administrations, whereas the intoxication tends to decrease
6 with subsequent administrations.

7 And clearly the literature, both now and in the early
8 1980s, indicates that once this severe paranoia or cocaine
9 psychosis begins, it tends to last for a matter of hours
10 after the last administration of cocaine. It rarely, if ever
11 -- and, frankly, lasts up until the time of the crash. What
12 I teach medical student residents -- honestly, what I teach
13 Emergency Room doctors, I have many talks about the cocaine-
14 intoxicated and cocaine-agitated person. What I especially
15 tell Emergency Room doctors, because they're the ones that
16 see people in this state all the time, is when a person has
17 been binging on cocaine, they're getting more and more
18 agitated, paranoid, irritable, interpreting external stimuli
19 as threats. They frequently also are experiencing tightness
20 in the chest, chest pain, other things, so they often wind up
21 in the Emergency Room. And when they come in, they're very
22 dangerous and they need to be sedated immediately in order to
23 -- in order to ensure the safety of the Emergency Room
24 staff. Once -- what tends to happen is a person binges on
25 cocaine for a certain period of time and then there is a

1 peri-binge period of a few hours, several hours. People are
2 restless, irritable, paranoid, and then they crash. And the
3 crash means basically going to sleep and sleeping it off and
4 eating a lot, because in the midst of a binge, the
5 norepinephrine effects of cocaine cause people not to eat and
6 not to sleep. So, the recovery -- the crash from cocaine
7 tends to involve hypersomnolence and hyperphasia: Eating a
8 lot of things and sleeping a lot.

9 Rarely -- in fact, clinically it is almost unheard of now
10 -- people still have some cocaine psychosis after they wake
11 up at the end of the crash. Very, very rarely. But,
12 typically, a fair number of people are paranoid right up
13 until the time of the crash, of the time when they fall
14 asleep.

15 When we look at -- at this case and we hear the
16 descriptions of a single use, strong cravings to use more,
17 hocking a VCR, erratic thoughts, commission of a murder, use
18 of more cocaine, commission of another murder and sort of
19 agitated period of time where a person is hypervigilant, goes
20 home, sees their spouse, used some sedating drugs -- people
21 frequently self-treat that agitated, restless time with
22 things such as marijuana or alcohol, sedatives which were
23 self-administered, and then leaving, driving, still being
24 sort of irrational, crashing, going to sleep, waking up and
25 driving to the police station and turning one's self in and

1 confessing, is classic for cocaine psychosis.

2 Q. Now, I think you've answered in a substantial way my next
3 question, but let me ask you anyways: What are the outside
4 signs and symptoms of cocaine psychosis?

5 A. Let me add -- I'll list a few things and then I'll
6 specifically list a few things that are not described with
7 cocaine psychosis which I think have shown up in some of the
8 transcripts as confusing points. Cocaine psychosis, or --
9 cocaine psychosis is a phenomenon which is characterized by
10 paranoid thoughts, misperceptions, intrusive thoughts. So
11 the feeling, like thoughts are coming into one's head,
12 suddenly having a thought, frequently irrational, intrusive
13 thoughts, hallucinations, overwhelmingly tend to be either
14 auditory, hearing voices -- although they're usually
15 interpreted as thoughts as coming in their mind -- but
16 hearing voices and tactile -- occasionally people feel what
17 is called cocaine fleas, or feel things crawling on their
18 skin, less and less ability to follow consistently through on
19 a plan, more jumping and jumping from one plan to another and
20 from one thought to another and more and more bizarre ways.

21 What typically is not present with cocaine psychosis is
22 florid delirium. I mean, these people aren't talking out of
23 their minds, acting, you know, bizarrely, schizophrenic or
24 talking like they're in delirium or DTs, or whatever, but
25 their thoughts and their behaviors are erratic and irrational

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1 and frequently moving from being mildly paranoid, to being
2 armed, to being actually violent.

3 Q. Now, were these classic signs and symptoms of cocaine
4 psychosis present in the record that you have reviewed
5 relating to Mr. Hicks?

6 A. Yes. I think as I mentioned there's evidence of it even
7 in the interview with the detectives in Knoxville, although
8 that interview was an interview aimed at an entirely
9 different topic. I mean, it was a difficult task. Even
10 given the fact it was, you know, a law enforcement,
11 professional interview, there is evidence in that interview
12 that some of this was going on, and a lot of evidence in the
13 interview done with Ms. Leahy.

14 Q. And, Dr. Parran, do you have an opinion, to a reasonable
15 degree of medical certainty, whether Mr. Hicks was in the
16 throes of a cocaine psychosis at the time of these two
17 murders?

18 A. Yes, I -- in reading the -- having read the transcript
19 from the confession and having read the history of the client
20 in terms of the past, my initial opinion and my overwhelming
21 opinion since then is that from a clinical standpoint, if I
22 had to create a differential diagnosis, my differential
23 diagnosis in this case would be cocaine psychosis, cocaine
24 psychosis, cocaine psychosis, cocaine psychosis, and then
25 maybe something else, but I can't imagine what else it would

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1 be.

2 Q. What were the indicia, if you will, of cocaine psychosis
3 that you observed in the record as surrounding the murder of
4 these two individuals?

5 A. What would be the addition?

6 Q. The indicia, the indications that Mr. Hicks was in the
7 throes of cocaine psychosis when these two murders were
8 committed.

9 A. I can -- I can open up the transcript and give you a
10 couple specific examples --

11 Q. That would be helpful.

12 A. -- if you like.

13 The first I'll mention is the transcript from the
14 Knoxville Police Department, and this transcript on its
15 second page -- or on the first page, it says, "I went over to
16 this guy's house that I knew and had some cocaine. So I
17 bought me some." And then there's some information about the
18 person he bought it from, and then "I used it and some after
19 I went home and then that craving came, you know, to get some
20 more dope. So what I did, I called the man and asked if he
21 had some for me. He said okay. So I took the VCR we had at
22 the home. So I went over there, and a little bit later I
23 gave it to him, so he gave me some more. So I told him I
24 would pay him back tomorrow. I realize I didn't have the
25 money to get the video recorder because it wasn't mine, so I

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1 got to thinking -- I said I've got to do something, you know,
2 because the video recorder didn't belong to me. I knew
3 there'd be a lot of bullshit going on with my wife, so what I
4 did, I got to thinking well, since I'm supposed to have went
5 to the ball game -- well, I didn't. Okay? So I called her"
6 and he was calling his mother-in-law.

7 Those sorts of things, indicating sort of the person buys
8 some cocaine, doesn't have any more money, is moving toward a
9 cocaine binge regularly and routinely, hocks about anything
10 they have that's valuable in order to get some more cocaine,
11 and then once that's been done, frequently tries to figure
12 out how to get some more money, it becomes more and more
13 irrational.

14 So, "I need some more money. Maybe I should go rob my
15 mother-in-law." That's entirely irrational, compared to
16 robbing someone else who doesn't know you, who you would
17 knock over the head and would never recognize you. That is
18 crazy. But this man isn't crazy. This man does haven't a
19 history of schizophrenia. He doesn't have a history of
20 serious mental illness. That is an indication there of
21 cocaine psychosis.

22 He states on the next page, "But getting back to where I
23 was just going to leave," he said to the detective he was
24 just going to leave the apartment, and then -- "So she was
25 wondering about that cage and what the bird cage had in it

1 and blah, blah, blah. She turned around and I just grabbed
2 her and started strangling her." That once again sounds
3 like, you know, sort of the erratic sort of impulsive
4 behavior of a person who's getting more and more sort of
5 psychotic on a cocaine binge.

6 A little further on they talk about finding a gun. He
7 said -- the interviewer said, "You could not find the gun?"
8 And the defendant said, "Yeah, at first, then all of a sudden
9 I realized that. I said, well, you know, Brandy knew I was
10 the last one here, so, you know, it was like I was, 'No, I
11 shouldn't do that to her,' you know." That sounds very much
12 to me -- giving a law enforcement interview as opposed to a
13 clinical interview -- of a person describing intrusive
14 thoughts that are coming in that are bizarre and completely
15 irrational sort of, you know, coming into a person's mind.

16 "And so, after I got the money, I said 'I'll leave and
17 come back and clean up this mess.' So I called the man and I
18 finally caught up with him." I think that -- "...finally
19 caught up with him." In the interview with Shirley Lehmann
20 (sic) later on, he talks about how he couldn't call the
21 person, there was no answer on the phone, the phone was busy,
22 he was pacing around the apartment, more and more edgy,
23 irrational, and dashed out and got more cocaine and came back
24 here and used cocaine right here in the same place. Despite
25 having already gotten the money and gun and everything else

1 is -- is -- clearly the most likely clinical explanation is
2 cocaine psychosis.

3 So, he went and got some more cocaine. "And then must
4 have been around 12:30, something like that, I went on ahead
5 and shot up the dope. I got -- I got a 50-cent piece and all
6 of a sudden I got to thinking again" -- "I got to thinking
7 again," just typical cocaine psychosis and shortly thereafter
8 intrusive thoughts, "I started thinking again well, I'd
9 better go ahead and do this because she's going to be the
10 only" -- referring to Brandy, and so, you know, he committed
11 the second murder.

12 Q. Well, is that evidence of rational thinking, to cover up
13 a crime, or does it reflect something else in your clinical
14 opinion?

15 A. All of it -- I mean, from -- from the trying to figure
16 out how to unhock the VCR on is some of the most bizarre and
17 irrational thought patterns that one can imagine, or at least
18 that I can imagine, and indicates more and more paranoia and
19 bizarre behavior and is quite indicative of cocaine
20 psychosis.

21 Later, it says "It was in the living room, but I dragged
22 it to the bedroom" -- which is Maxine's body. "...then I got
23 to thinking I need to do something with it before someone
24 discovered it, so I was going to cut her in half and put her
25 in the freezer, and all of sudden I did and then I stopped."

1 I mean, that is crazy. That is not the actions of a person
2 who is -- whatever. And then --

3 THE COURT: You used the term "crazy," Dr. Parran.
4 Could you relate that to the opinions you've expressed about
5 cocaine and psychosis?

6 THE WITNESS: I'm using the vernacular "crazy,"
7 that is, bizarre thoughts and actions of a person who is --
8 who is clinically most likely involved in a cocaine psychosis
9 given a past history of no mental illness.

10 A. (Continuing) And then finally on the next page there
11 talking about the sexual abuse of the girl: First, you know,
12 I was thinking all weird. Thinking all weird." Here's a
13 person, a day later even, describing his own thoughts of, you
14 know, thinking all weird, and so those are the evidences in
15 the police report.

16 And then it takes some time, but reading through the
17 report from Ms. Leahy, there's what I consider to be just
18 much more data from a trained clinician interviewing about
19 these issues, asking followup questions about "What do you
20 mean 'thinking all weird'? What kind of thoughts were you
21 having?" -- and those sorts of things.

22 Q. Based on the information you were able to obtain from the
23 record, your conversations with Mr. Hicks and any other
24 materials that you were provided, do you have an opinion, to
25 a reasonable degree of medical certainty, as to the duration

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1 of the cocaine psychosis which you've just testified about?

2 A. The -- my best clinical judgment would be that the
3 cocaine psychosis and -- that the cocaine psychosis certainly
4 continued through the time that Mr. Hicks went home to his --
5 his and his wife's apartment. Probably until the time that
6 he drove out of town and maybe until the time he actually
7 went to sleep in Knoxville.

8 Q. Let me ask you this question --

9 THE COURT: When did it start?

10 Q. That was my next question, the onset. In your opinion,
11 to a reasonable degree of medical certainty, what was the
12 onset of this cocaine psychosis?

13 A. The onset was probably shortly after the second
14 self-administration of cocaine; the cocaine that was used --
15 the cocaine that was bought with the VCR.

16 Q. Now, Dr. Parran, in your professional opinion, were the
17 Court and the jury properly and accurately informed through
18 the testimony of the witnesses who were presented at trial as
19 to the nature and extent of Mr. Hicks' cocaine dependency and
20 psychosis at the time he committed these acts?

21 A. No.

22 Q. And why is that?

23 A. It's clear from my reading of the transcript that the
24 information that was provided about cocaine pharmacology was
25 inaccurate during the trial; that the information given

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1 regarding the timing of -- the difference between cocaine
2 intoxication and the cocaine psychosis was not entirely but
3 largely inaccurate, and that the information that was given
4 about the signs and symptoms of cocaine psychosis were
5 substantially inaccurate. The information given regarding
6 the expected onset of cocaine psychosis, based upon the
7 timing of the use of the drug, was inaccurate, as well as the
8 expected duration of cocaine psychosis. That also was
9 inaccurate. And, finally, the idea that cocaine psychosis
10 was more likely to happen in a person who was a chronic,
11 daily user of cocaine with day in and day out cocaine use,
12 which is actually very rare for people to actually do that
13 but even more rare for people who have cocaine psychosis, but
14 that was entirely inaccurate.

15 Q. Dr. Parran, if you're able to do so, are you able to
16 refer to portions of the record in which you feel that there
17 were substantial inaccuracies or errors with respect to the
18 information that was provided to the Court and the jury
19 concerning Mr. Hicks' cocaine --

20 A. Sure.

21 Q. -- situation?

22 A. Sure. And I'll do it in whichever way is usually most
23 appropriate in these settings. I can give the page and --
24 the page number and the line number.

25 Q. Are you able to pinpoint who the witness is?

1 A. If you want me to read the statement --

2 Q. If you could summarize perhaps what the statements are,
3 but also if you could indicate which witness is providing
4 this inaccurate information to the jury.

5 A. Okay. The primary information which was inaccurate was
6 provided in the testimony of Nancy Schmidtgoessling, and her
7 testimony started on Page 1175. The areas where the
8 inaccuracies were most notable is on Page 1178 -- I'm sorry
9 1187, where they talk about the difference between snorting
10 cocaine and using cocaine I.V. And Dr. Schmidtgoessling gave
11 clearly wrong information from Line 22 on that page through
12 Line 6 on Page 1188. The information -- should I read the
13 information, or just --

14 Q. If you could summarize it.

15 A. Okay. Well, it basically said that that cocaine goes
16 into the bloodstream faster if you snort it than if you use
17 it I.V., which is wrong. She says that the intensity of the
18 symptoms of the intoxication of cocaine are equal, whether
19 you used an I.V. or snort it, which is clearly wrong. And
20 she said that the reaction would be -- that the only
21 difference between using cocaine nasally versus I.V. is that
22 the reaction might be quicker nasally rather than I.V., and
23 it is not the only difference and, in fact, that's wrong.

24 Then on Page 1191, starting at Line 11, they talked about
25 the levels of intoxication from cocaine being similar to the

1 levels of alcohol, various degrees of intoxication. And the
2 question -- or the response of the expert was that they were
3 similar; that, you know, there were sort of a linear
4 intoxication effect from cocaine similar to alcohol, which is
5 -- which is not the case. Cocaine has much too short a half
6 life to be able to look at levels of intoxication.

7 Then at the top of the next page on 1192, the question
8 was would cocaine be the same curve of dysfunction? Can the
9 effect and degree of one's ability to perform depend upon the
10 amount that a person took in? -- meaning if you only took in
11 a little cocaine now, it will have a little effect, and if
12 you took a lot of cocaine, it will have a lot of effect. And
13 the expert said "Yes," definitely demonstrating no evidence
14 of the knowledge of the kindling phenomena that we talked
15 about before where one has activated kindling with cocaine
16 addiction. Even reasonably small amounts of the drug can
17 precipitate in large behavior, rational changes.

18 Page 1193, the description of why people die from
19 cocaine: "In fact, when people die of cocaine overdose, it
20 is usually from a respiratory problem." Virtually no one
21 dies of a cocaine overdose from a respiratory problem. It is
22 a seizure, stroke or heart attack. It has little to do with
23 the lung.

24 She then points out later on that page that this patient
25 -- or this defendant was able to retain his orientation and

1 his goal directedness and, therefore, he was not
2 significantly affected by cocaine when he was committing the
3 crimes. As I described earlier, it is in the literature, and
4 in the 1980s, in the literature now, when a person is
5 involved in cocaine psychosis, they are oriented, they know
6 who they are, and where they are, and when it is. They are
7 oriented to person, time and place. They are not delirious
8 and they frequently follow through with impulsive actions,
9 although they tend not to be able to follow through in a
10 single plan of action over an extended period of time.

11 And then, finally, throughout this entire section, all of
12 the statements were about the -- about whether he was
13 intoxicated at the time, not whether there was the dysphoria
14 and the paranoia and cocaine psychosis.

15 There's just a couple more here. On Page 1195, starting
16 at line 18, the question is:

17 "Let's talk about that. This stuff reaches a peak
18 in fifteen to twenty minutes."

19 And the response from the witness was...

20 "Yes, that is customarily thought to be the
21 peak."

22 Well, that certainly is not when you're using I.V. cocaine.
23 It is gone in ten.

24 The question then was...

25 "Then the person returns to normal later

1 rapidly?"

2 And the response was...

3 "Yes, usually sort of a crash, as they refer to
4 it. It usually takes ten to fifteen minutes."

5 Actually, the crash is, after a binge, often a few hours
6 after a binge, which tends to last proportional to the length
7 of the binge.

8 "Question: The whole thing is less than half an
9 hour?"

10 "Answer: Not if there is something mixed in, but,
11 yes."

12 "Question: Doctor, did you actually" --
13 I'm sorry, the next page, 1196, pretty close to the end...

14 "Doctor, did you actually make an examination of
15 the life background as part of your history to determine
16 his work record, the way he dealt with his peers and so
17 forth?"

18 "Yes, I did."

19 "Question: Did you see anything in there that
20 indicated either cocaine usage or chronic usage of
21 cocaine?"

22 And the answer on Page 1197 reads...

23 "I didn't see anything as far as chronic usage. He
24 was regular to work, he was cooperative with his
25 co-workers, he was a good employee and reliable."

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1 All of that information, given a history of binging on
2 several thousand dollars of cocaine a few years earlier, a
3 couple thousand dollars use of cocaine six months earlier,
4 and given the history of a person who went to work and
5 participated normally in working during the day and wound up
6 committing two murders and other things later during the
7 night, is absolutely diagnostic of cocaine addiction and
8 cocaine psychosis, and her statement is that is that it's no
9 indication of chronic use. I think -- I think that's it.

10 Q. Dr. Parran, in your professional opinion, based on the
11 information that was presented at trial and which you've just
12 commented on, do you believe the jury was fairly and
13 accurately apprised of the effects of cocaine on Mr. Hicks'
14 conduct that night?

15 A. Absolutely not.

16 Q. Okay. For the reasons you've stated?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Now, Dr. Parran, this case took place in 1985; that's
19 when the trial took place. What was the current state of
20 medical knowledge of cocaine and cocaine psychosis at that
21 time?

22 A. Well, that's a very good question. Certainly we know
23 more about cocaine now than we knew in 1985 and 1986, but
24 that's because we've experienced our current cocaine epidemic
25 which started honestly in probably 1976. But we've

1 experienced it for another decade since then. But in 1985
2 and '86 -- and I think the trial actually took place in
3 February of '86 -- cocaine addiction was well-known. It was
4 in the DSM-III, and then subsequently published a little
5 later in 1986, the DSM-III-R, and now in 1995 the DSM-IV,
6 cocaine psychosis and stimulant psychosis. Amphetamine
7 psychosis has been described in the literature since the
8 1950s. In fact, there are a few descriptions later in the
9 Western European literature, the German literature from the
10 1930s, of paranoid ideation and bizarre behavior from
11 cocaine.

12 But what would be most available to practitioners in our
13 community in Ohio in 1985 are several articles from
14 well-respected psychiatric journals and widely-read
15 psychiatric journals from the mid- to late-'70s right up
16 until 1986, and certainly since. They talk about cocaine
17 psychosis, paranoia associated with cocaine, these long last
18 -- longer lasting effects of cocaine than just the mere
19 intoxication.

20 Q. Dr. Parran, let me stop you there and ask if I might hand
21 you an exhibit, Plaintiff's Exhibit 17.

22 Could you identify that exhibit for us, please?

23 A. Yes, it's a face sheet or a Xeroxed copy of a face sheet
24 of a list of articles in the medical literature, that I wrote
25 down the initial or the earliest one being in 1931, the last

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1 one being in 1986, early 1986 -- I think published in
2 February of 1986 -- basically listing articles in the medical
3 literature about cocaine dependence, cocaine addiction,
4 including references and descriptions of cocaine paranoia,
5 cocaine psychosis.

6 Q. So what Exhibit 17 is, is a compendium or a list of the
7 articles?

8 A. The first page is a list and attached are the actual
9 articles.

10 Q. And these are examples of the type of materials that were
11 available to practitioners by February of 1986?

12 A. Absolutely, yes.

13 Q. Is there anything about which you have testified this
14 morning relating to cocaine, cocaine psychosis, the kindling
15 effect, the binging, the psychosis, the paranoia, the
16 duration of cocaine psychosis which would not have been
17 available to practitioners in this field in 1985 and 1986?

18 A. In general, no. There is one -- I did cite one piece --
19 one statistic where it's thought that 50 to 70 percent of
20 people who -- who use cocaine in a binge-crash pattern
21 experience clinically significant paranoid ideation, with
22 better than half of them actually arming themselves with
23 weapons during cocaine binges, and that was published after
24 1986.

25 But the description of the kindling phenomenon with

1 cocaine psychosis, as well as cocaine seizures, the
2 description of the typical binge-crash pattern and the
3 description of cocaine psychosis itself and cocaine paranoia
4 coming on after the intoxication of cocaine and lasting well
5 beyond the intoxication of cocaine are all very well
6 documented in the medical literature in 1985, '86 and before.

7 Q. And to your knowledge, Dr. Parran, was that information
8 and examples of that literature available to practitioners in
9 that field of addiction in Cincinnati, Ohio in 1985 and 1986?

10 A. Oh, absolutely. One of the articles is from the American
11 Journal of Psychiatry, the most widely distributed, widely
12 read journal, psychiatric journal in the country, and that is
13 from March of 1975 and its titled is "Cocaine Psychosis:
14 A Continuum Model."

15 There is an article from 1976 in the same journal, the
16 American Journal of Psychiatry, and the title is "Cocaine,
17 Kindling, and Psychosis." That was a decade before these
18 events.

19 And then I have a few here, one in 1986 "Neuroleptic
20 Reduction of Cocaine-Induced Paranoia" in the Journal of
21 psychopharmacology published in February of 1986, the same
22 month of the trial. Even the Psychiatric Annals in 1984 --
23 the psychiatric annals are very widely distributed -- have
24 articles describing -- describing the same thing.

25 MR. MEZIBOV: Your Honor, if I may have one minute,

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1 that may be it.

2 (Messrs. Mezibov and Lazarow conferred privately.)

3 Q. Two final questions, Doctor. First, with respect to this
4 information and the availability of these materials as an
5 extension of that question, were there, and to your
6 knowledge, practitioners in the field which you study and
7 about which these articles have been written who were
8 available in Cincinnati to have this information at their
9 disposal?

10 A. Well, certainly there were in the early 1980s. The
11 Cincinnati V. A. has a big Addiction Medicine Treatment
12 Program that was active then. They had a specific drug
13 treatment branch, as well as a separate alcohol treatment
14 branch. They treated them separately then. We're now
15 treating them together with a psychiatrist as well as
16 internists on their staff. In fact, the National Institute
17 on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism and the National Institute on
18 Drug Abuse, two branches of NIH in 1980 developed a career
19 teacher's program where they supported individuals of medical
20 schools to acquire more education and then teach about
21 addiction and the pharmacology of addictive drugs. And Don
22 Nelson, who is a clinical pharmacologist at the University of
23 Cincinnati, was a career teacher with NIAAA and NIDA from
24 1981, and was teaching a pharmacology course at the
25 University of Cincinnati Medical School on drugs of abuse in

1 the '80s and is still there now.

2 Q. Dr. Parran, you also mentioned there was a study that
3 evaluated or reported on the violence associated with cocaine
4 psychosis, people being armed and the like. What is the
5 correlation between cocaine psychosis and violent behavior?

6 A. The study that was reported, they studied a couple of
7 hundred people who used cocaine in a binge, binge-crash kind
8 of pattern, either smoking it or using it I.V. Seventy
9 percent reported clinically significant paranoid ideation
10 happening around the time of cocaine binges. The -- 50
11 percent of those who had paranoid ideation reported that the
12 paranoid ideation lasted all the way through to the time of
13 the crash, so it lasted for a few to several hours after the
14 cessation of the cocaine use. Better than half of people
15 with paranoid ideation reported that they had intermittently
16 armed themselves during a cocaine binge with various
17 weapons. And of that 50 percent who had armed themselves, a
18 quarter reported having actually been violent. None reported
19 actually ever having killed someone, but a quarter reported
20 having been violent, including jumping out of windows because
21 they were sure the police were coming through the door;
22 beating up a significant other because -- thinking they were
23 sending messages about the person using cocaine to law
24 enforcement; misperceiving external stimuli and then reacting
25 in a violent, arming way.

1 If you remember, norepinephrine adrenaline is the
2 hormone which produces our fight or flight response. People,
3 when they're overstimulated with norepinephrine, tend to get
4 more and more paranoid, have more and more tough time
5 focusing on something and tend to be hyper-reflexic, and
6 really sort of armed. It's -- it's a hormone which -- which
7 has tremendous survival benefits for humans; but when
8 overstimulated with it, people can be very violent.

9 Q. The facts that you found in the record in Mr. Hicks'
10 case, they're consistent with the findings of these studies
11 you've just mentioned with respect to violence?

12 A. Yes.

13 MR. MEZIBOV: That's all the questions I have of
14 this witness. Thank you, Doctor.

15 THE COURT: Doctor, in your history that you
16 accumulated on Mr. Hicks, was there a history of seizures?

17 THE WITNESS: No, there was no history in his case
18 of cocaine-associated seizures and that sort of kindling
19 phenomenon. Just a kindling phenomenon in terms of the
20 paranoid thoughts as such.

21 THE COURT: Can an addict that has become an
22 intermittent binge-type pattern individual, can that addict
23 reasonably be expected to overcome the addiction?

24 THE WITNESS: I couldn't give you worthwhile
25 information in 1985 because the epidemic was too early at

1 that point. But at this point, I think we have some pretty
2 good information, and the information that we have now is
3 that if you take a thousand people with cocaine addiction,
4 intermittent binging, whether they're smoking it or using it
5 I.V., and you follow them up over 15 years or so, at the end
6 of 15 years, better than a third of them will be sober and in
7 stable recovery. Of the ones that survive -- because there
8 is a highly fatal condition here -- that a third will be
9 sober, in stable recovery, about another third will have
10 switched to a different pattern of drug use, and that's
11 honestly what we're seeing in Ohio now: People are switching
12 to heroin since cocaine has sort of a short life; people are
13 switching to mixing cocaine with heroin. They get jazzed up
14 on the first use of cocaine, feel very -- euphoria. And when
15 the dysphoria of the cocaine should be kicking in, that is
16 when the sort of euphoric period, the mellow high of the
17 heroin kicks in. And instead of going on a full-blown binge,
18 a person tends to use cocaine and heroin together twice a
19 day.

20 So, we've seen, sadly, about a third of our addicted
21 patients, who normally were bingers on cocaine, just switch
22 pharmacologically to a different approach but still be out of
23 control with chemical dependence.

24 And, finally, another third are either incarcerated or
25 dead.

1 THE COURT: So, it's reasonable to believe that
2 approximately a third could be sober?

3 THE WITNESS: If -- if people escape either death
4 or jail, the statistics are that 50 percent of the people,
5 whether they have alcoholism or cocaine dependence, over time
6 will eventually get sober and stay sober for outstanding
7 periods of time.

8 THE COURT: Does the snorting of cocaine have any
9 detrimental effect on those membranes and so forth? Is that
10 permanent?

11 THE WITNESS: That can be permanent. It's probably
12 not the cocaine itself that damages the nasal membrane, but
13 what happens is when a person snorts cocaine, when the
14 norepinephrine is released, there's spasm of the smooth
15 muscle and the blood vessels that go in the nose, so people
16 stop absorbing it. The nasal septum is made of cartilage and
17 cartilage doesn't have its own blood supply. It depends on
18 blood vessels to passively supply oxygen to the cartilage.
19 And so, cartilage is exquisitely sensitive to not enough
20 blood supply, and so what happens is actually the cartilage
21 in the septum dies and deteriorates and falls out. To cite a
22 famous example, Linda Ronstadt had cocaine addiction and was
23 afraid of needles and didn't know how to turn it into
24 freebase, so she just snorted and snorted and lost her nasal
25 septum, went into treatment and had to have a nasal septum

1 replaced several years later by a plastic surgeon so she
2 could sing again.

3 THE COURT: Did you conduct any physical
4 examination of Mr. Hicks?

5 THE WITNESS: No.

6 THE COURT: Wouldn't that be medically prudent to
7 help you make your opinion here today?

8 THE WITNESS: It may have been, although it was ten
9 years after the fact.

10 THE COURT: Well -- well, I prefaced my question:
11 Is it permanent --

12 THE WITNESS: The physical --

13 THE COURT: -- and you agreed.

14 THE WITNESS: The permanent signs I'd look at, that
15 if I had thought of that, would honestly be from track marks,
16 from I.V. marks.

17 THE COURT: You didn't see the I.V. track marks?

18 THE WITNESS: No.

19 THE COURT: They would still exist?

20 THE WITNESS: Track marks would probably exist,
21 although the disclaimer that I would give you is that track
22 marks in people who are opiate dependent tend to be much more
23 chronic and long lasting, because people tend to use opiates
24 in a chronic pattern. People tend to do intermittent binging
25 on cocaine. They tend not to use the same vein, and so the

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1 track marks tend to be much less permanent scars with cocaine
2 use.

3 THE COURT: Did you examine, in reaching your
4 opinion, any criminal history of Mr. Hicks?

5 THE WITNESS: Very superficially. I read one of
6 the background psychological reports that talked about his
7 history of domestic violence in the past while intoxicated.
8 I didn't read that extremely carefully.

9 THE COURT: You don't know of any specific crime or
10 criminal experiences with the law other than domestic
11 violence?

12 THE WITNESS: At least based on my memory right now
13 it was a domestic violence incident and a court-mandated
14 outpatient counseling program in '82, I think.

15 THE COURT: Any other history which was not
16 significant in your opinion?

17 THE WITNESS: Well, when I interviewed him myself
18 and when I quickly looked through the past psychological
19 record, I was looking for evidence of previous psychotic
20 behavior, behavior that would indicate any mental illness or
21 the behavior that indicated extreme violence, and all I saw
22 was the domestic violence.

23 THE COURT: Thank you, Doctor. We'll recess until
24 1:15. 1:15. Thank you, Doctor.

25 THE WITNESS: You're welcome.

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THE CLERK: All rise.

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(At which time, the luncheon recess was taken.)

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AFTERNOON SESSION

(1:31 p.m.)

THE COURT: Is the petitioner ready to proceed?

MR. MEZIBOV: We are, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Respondent ready to proceed?

MR. WILLE: Yes, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Doctor, I believe you're on the stand.
Proceed, Mr. Wille.

MR. WILLE: Thank you, Your Honor.

CROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. WILLE:

Q. Doctor Parran, have you ever testified at trial in a capital case?

A. No, sir.

Q. Have you ever testified in a criminal case involving cocaine as an issue?

A. No.

Q. Are you familiar with the factors set forth in Ohio law as to mitigation with respect to a capital offense?

A. No, I'm not.

Q. Now, you are not a psychologist or a psychiatrist; is that correct?

A. That is correct.

Q. Now, are you aware that Dr. Schmidtgoessling rendered an opinion in conjunction with this case that Mr. Hicks at one point had been feigning the symptoms of mental illness?

1 You're aware of her opinion in that regard?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Now, I take it -- or would you consider yourself to be
4 competent, qualified to render an opinion as to the validity
5 of her opinion in the latter regard?

6 A. I can certainly give you my opinion about that as an
7 internist and a physician.

8 Q. Would you consider yourself to be an expert with respect
9 to -- I'll withdraw that.

10 Would you offer an expert opinion as to the validity of
11 her expert opinion?

12 A. I would not offer it regarding her opinion of his
13 diagnosis of malingering or feigned mental illness.

14 Q. And that's what my question was directed to --

15 A. Okay.

16 Q. -- if I was not clear on that.

17 Now, Dr. Parran, would you think that you are qualified
18 to render an opinion as to whether a person is suffering from
19 a mental disease or defect?

20 A. I'm certainly qualified to render an opinion, but as a
21 non-psychiatrist, I would probably not be considered
22 qualified to render an expert opinion.

23 Q. Now, Dr. Parran, am I correct you did speak with
24 Mr. Hicks?

25 A. Yes, I did.

1 Q. And you mentioned in direct testimony that you were, I
2 guess, I don't know how you put it, but you were looking
3 forward to the opportunity to speak with Mr. Hicks in the
4 sense of the experience of doing so?

5 A. No, I wouldn't -- I wouldn't -- I wouldn't say that. I
6 did think that it was important for me to have a chance to
7 talk to Mr. Hicks once I had looked through the materials
8 that had been forwarded to me and was -- and was at the place
9 of beginning to form an opinion about cocaine psychosis.

10 Q. Would it be fair to say that your experience is somewhat
11 limited in talking with persons who have been convicted of
12 serious felonies?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And I take it -- it may seem to be an obvious question,
15 but I take it you've never interviewed before someone who had
16 been convicted of murder and sentenced to death?

17 A. I have interviewed people who been convicted of murder in
18 the past, but no one who has been sentenced to death.

19 Q. Now, Dr. Parran, in forming your opinion with respect to
20 Mr. Hicks, I take it that you gave weight to what he told you
21 during the interview?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And now, Dr. Parran, in normally -- in normally dealing
24 with persons with cocaine psychosis, do you on occasion rely
25 on such things as, say, urinalysis tests or blood tests?

1 A. Yes; not -- not as it relates to cocaine psychosis, but
2 as it relates to documentation of cocaine use.

3 Q. Now, Dr. Parran, you've testified that you assisted with
4 the training of interns with respect to handling persons in
5 emergency situations. Is that a fair statement?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And I take it that in that circumstance you would be
8 dealing with a situation where the person that may be
9 suffering from a cocaine psychosis is right before you at the
10 critical time, if you know what I mean?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. So, I take it then that you would consider that to be a
13 very important thing to consider, namely the opportunity to
14 actually observe the person under -- appear or under the
15 possibility -- strike that -- actually observe the person in
16 the highly agitated state which would be consistent with
17 cocaine psychosis?

18 A. Certainly the people who observe patients the most when
19 patients are actively involved in a state of cocaine
20 psychosis are people who work in Emergency Rooms, ambulances,
21 intake offices, those sorts of things.

22 Q. Would you say you're one of those persons?

23 A. I certainly have done a lot of consultations in Emergency
24 Rooms, yes.

25 Q. Have you -- in your function as a consultant, would you

1 say that -- I take it you have actually seen people that
2 appear to be under the symptoms of a cocaine psychosis?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And in this particular case, however, you've never seen
5 Mr. Hicks under --

6 A. No.

7 Q. -- apparent influence of a cocaine psychosis?

8 A. No.

9 Q. Now, Dr. Parran, are you aware or have you reviewed Dr.
10 Hawgood's report with respect to Mr. Hicks?

11 A. I'm sure that I have because I'm -- I think it was in the
12 materials that I looked at, yes.

13 Q. If I were to represent to you that during an interview
14 with Dr. Hawgood Mr. Hicks admitted that at one point he
15 feigned the symptoms of mental illness, that would -- that
16 would be consistent with your recollection of Dr. Hawgood's
17 report?

18 A. Yes, as well as Dr. Schmidtgoessling's opinion.

19 Q. Exactly. And would it be -- or do you recall that in the
20 course of her report, Dr. Hawgood indicated that Mr. Hicks
21 stated that he had been advised by certain jailhouse lawyers
22 to feign these symptoms of mental illness because it might be
23 beneficial to his case? That would be consistent with your
24 recollection as to her --

25 A. Yes, I think it was multiple personality disorder, or

1 something like that.

2 Q. If I were to tell you that Dr. Hawgood testified in a
3 deposition in this case that in fact Mr. Hicks had indicated
4 to her that "Yes, I -- I did feign some mental illness
5 because I was advised by jailhouse lawyers," that would be
6 consistent with your recollection of --

7 A. Uh-huh.

8 Q. -- your review of that deposition?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Now, would it be fair to say, Dr. Parran, that in that
11 circumstance Mr. Hicks appeared to be willing to tell Dr.
12 Hawgood a falsehood -- strike that.

13 Would it appear, based on Dr. Hawgood's statements, that
14 Mr. Hicks had occasion to lie because he thought it would
15 help his case?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Now, have you considered the possibility that when
18 Mr. Hicks described his cocaine use to you, that perhaps he
19 was entertaining the same intent to lie?

20 A. Yes; I must -- that's certainly a possibility that I've
21 thought about, and thought about at the time I interviewed
22 him. I must say that the majority of my opinion is based
23 upon the data in the interview with the detectives in
24 Knoxville and based upon information and, secondarily, based
25 on information in the interview with Ms. Leahy, I think in

1 September of '85, both of which, at least to my review,
2 appear to have taken place prior to much of the other
3 behavior that Mr. Hicks demonstrated with other examiners.

4 Q. Would you be -- are you aware that Mr. Hicks demonstrated
5 some aberrant and bizarre behavior to Mrs. Leahy?

6 A. The second -- the second day, the second interview day,
7 yes.

8 Q. And are you also aware that after Mrs. Leahy's interview
9 with Mr. Hicks, that Mr. Hicks expressed similar -- or showed
10 similar behavior in his interview with Dr. Schmidtgoessling?

11 A. Yes. My impression was that his initial interview with
12 Ms. Leahy was an extended interview in which he appeared to
13 be giving consistent information which anticipated to be
14 reasonably backed up with interviews with other family
15 members and the second interview was much more bizarre. And
16 from there on, the interviews were -- were difficult.

17 Q. Now, Dr. Parran, you have examined, I take it, much of
18 the information that Mrs. Leahy gathered?

19 A. Yes, I think I read the report entirely.

20 Q. Are you aware or do you recall that at one point
21 Mr. Hicks himself stated in the course of
22 Dr. Schmidtgoessling's investigation as to his sanity that
23 he, in fact, did not abuse cocaine or alcohol?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And would it be fair to say, Dr. Parran, that some of the

1 information cited by Mr. Hicks in support of his -- his
2 allegation or assertion of cocaine psychosis was developed in
3 State post-conviction proceedings? Would that be a fair
4 recollection or statement as to your recollection of the
5 record?

6 A. I have a problem with Mr. Hicks -- with the beginning
7 part of your statement, 'because it was not my impression from
8 reading any of the materials that Mr. Hicks claimed a cocaine
9 psychosis.

10 Q. Are you familiar with the affidavit of Dr. Baum?

11 A. I'm familiar with Dr. Baum's affidavit, which was
12 obtained in 1990.

13 Q. Yes. And, therefore, it was obtained -- you would have
14 no reason to doubt it was obtained in conjunction with
15 Mr. Hicks' post-conviction action; correct?

16 A. My understanding is that Dr. Baum's opinions were formed
17 in 19 -- late 1989-90, after the conviction.

18 Q. And isn't it true that Dr. Baum relied on information in
19 forming his opinion that was brought out following Mr. Hicks'
20 conviction and during his post-conviction action?

21 A. Yes, with -- interviews with Mr. Hicks and others.

22 Q. So, it is then fair to say that at least in part your
23 diagnosis is based on information which was developed
24 subsequent to Mr. Hicks' conviction?

25 A. Certainly the information in Dr. Baum's evaluation of